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NEW CEMETERY WILL ELIMINATE ABUSES AND PREVENT SHORTAGE OF PLOTS

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
CJN Assistant Editor

TORONTO –

After fighting an uphill battle for many years, organizers of a new Toronto community cemetery will begin to see their dreams come true this fall with the dedication and consecration of Toronto Hebrew Memorial Park in Vaughan, northwest of Metro.

Led by Sidney Freedman, organizers have been working since 1965 in obtaining the cemetery and establishing it to the satisfaction of the provincial government. The cemetery was set up to forestall an expected shortage in burial plots in 10 years' time and to eliminate past abuses.

In an interview last week with **The Canadian Jewish News**, Freedman said organizers found themselves opposed by various interests as they went about setting up the cemetery, which is located to the south of Maple Downs Golf Course on Dufferin Street, within a very short distance from the paved road on Bathurst Street. It is expected to serve the Jewish community for the next 75 years.

The community inherited, over many years, a maze of cemetery organizations numbering over 100, said Freedman, president of the Park.

"While some of these are powerful and viable cemeteries with tight administrative controls, the vast majority of the organizations have been very badly operated. The result has been that some are now defunct, some are without funds, some are unable to operate economically and most have demonstrated an inability to cope with the complexities of administration imposed by the Cemeteries Act."

The province did not look with favor upon continuing the present state of affairs in cemetery operations in the Jewish community, Freedman continued. "The authorities were not prepared to deal with a fragmented, poorly-administered, financially irresponsible entity."

The lawyer told **The CJN** final provincial and municipal licensing approval is almost complete. He was involved in two years of negotiations with Vaughan municipal officials regarding rezoning of the 87 acres of land for the cemetery. Approximately half will be retained as parkland.

Working with him in organizing Toronto Hebrew Memorial Park are lawyer Donald Carr as treasurer and Ben Schneider, executive director of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto, as secretary. The founding organizations are Beth Tikvah Synagogue, Temple Sinai, Adath Israel Congregation, the Judean Benevolent Society, Holy Blossom Temple, Temple Emanu-El and Bnai Israel Beth David Congregation.

Working in close contact with provincial authorities, the cemetery has been organized under the following principles:

– It is a community cemetery owned by a corporation without share profit.

– Any surplus in the operation will be turned over to the UJWF which is aiding the enterprise financially through its endowment funds.

– All segments of the community will have access to the cemetery, without distinction or discrimination.

– In addition to allocating plots in various sections to organizations which apply, plots will be sold directly to individuals who apply for them.

– Half of the board of governors of the park will be nominated by the UJWF.

– Deeds of plots cannot be made in favor of any subscribing institution. A deed will have to go directly to the individual.

– There can be no profit on any resale of plots.

All matters pertaining to the cemetery will be satisfactory to Orthodox, Conservative and Reform members.

He declined to predict when the first burial would take place in the new grounds.

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Katzir thanks Canadians for their aid to science

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

REHOVOT –

A galaxy of Israeli personalities, including recently inaugurated President Ephraim Katzir, last week joined a 50-man delegation of Canadian VIPs at the Weizmann Institute of Science, where the cornerstone was laid for what will be Israel's most advanced nuclear research facility.

In the first instance, it will consist of the Koffler Accelerator Tower, which is to house an ultra-modern Pelletron Accelerator, a multi-million volt instrument for delving into the structure and behavior of matter. This will later be linked up with other components to form the Canadian Centre for Nuclear Physics.

Coming back to his Weizmann Institute home for the first time as Israeli chief of state, President Katzir thanked Murray B. Koffler and his fellow Canadians for their efforts on behalf of the accelerator project, which, he said, "would help us to better understand the world around us, and perhaps also to better understand ourselves.

"The state of Israel," President Katzir added, "must be a great centre of science, and this new facility will help it to meet that challenge."

The festivities were divided into three parts, opening with a dinner hosted by Acting Institute President Professor Israel Dostrovsky and addressed by Israel Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir. This was followed by the actual cornerstone-laying ceremony, where veteran Institute Chancellor Meyer W. Weisgal, a sometime Torontonian, humorously recalled his early encounters with the Kofflers, and they, in turn, were presented with a special scroll in Hebrew and English to mark the occasion. The evening concluded with a gala performance by the Israel Chamber Ensemble of Mozart's Concerto in A Major for Violin and Orchestra, K. 219, and Haydn's Symphony No. 53 in D Major **L'Imperiale**.

Koffler, speaking just before the concert said it had been a privilege to be associated with the Weizmann Institute, from the time he had been drawn to it by the Zacks, Bensons and Bloomfields, to his period of service as president of the Institute's Canadian Society.

Koffler expressed the hope that the Canadian Centre would help Israel, Canada and other countries deal with such vexing questions as the energy shortage.

Participating in the celebrations – at which the Maple Leaf and the Star of David flew side by side – were Russel Davidson, charge d'affaires of the Canadian embassy, representing Ambassador Paul Malone who was abroad; Robert Pederson, Canadian senior trade commissioner in Israel; and Ephraim Evron, deputy director general of the Israel foreign ministry and former Israeli ambassador to Canada. See Pictures Page 2

Placing a scroll in the cornerstone of the Koffler Tower of the Canadian Center for Nuclear Physics in the Weizmann Institute are (from left) Mr. and Mrs. Murray Koffler, Acting Weizmann President Israel Dostrovsky and Physics Dean Igal Talmi.

'Change we must,' Carr warns Congress meeting

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO –

The framework of the Canadian Jewish Congress has remained unchanged, despite change in the Jewish community, Donald Carr told the 22nd regional conference of the Congress Central Region last weekend.

A former chairman of the CJC constitutional committee and now a member of its national executive, Carr noted that the process of change is filled with doubts and fears, "but for me it is also filled with promise, and change we must."

Warned the Toronto lawyer, "no service is rendered to Congress by glossing over existing shortcomings."

What might have been construed as an invitation to explore this topic was ignored by the two panel members who shared speaking honors with Carr, a former president of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto. They were Arnold Ages, a professor of Romance languages and literature at the University of Waterloo, and David E. Newman who, like Carr, is a lawyer and a former chairman of the constitutional committee. The discussion topic was **Portraits Of Change; The Challenge Before Us.**

Newman did concede that while Congress is doing an excellent job vis-a-vis the Gentile community, it is doing "a miserable job between Jews. You Orthodox Jews probably have no concept what is going on in temple and vice versa," he said.

The two themes most often dwelt on, either directly or indirectly during the morning session, were Jewish education and fears of assimilation.

In a scholarly speech, Ages used the example of the now defunct Jewish community of Alexandria to show, as he noted through

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Sad condition of Polish Jewry shock to visitors

NEW YORK (JCNS) –

A scene of desolation and neglect of the once-thriving Polish-Jewish community, with institutions and priceless archives left to decay, profoundly shocked a visiting party of American Jews to Poland.

Their feelings were summed up by Mrs. Irene Fantus, of Chicago, who said in an interview on their return to the United States: "Nothing had really prepared us for the sense of loss we experienced. We had never realized how rich the Jewish culture of Poland had been."

For Mrs. Fantus, vice-chairman of the women's division of the United Jewish Appeal's young leadership movement, the visit to witness the remnants of Jewish life in Poland was to understand fully the meaning of the term "Judenrein".

The party of 37 UJA lay leaders in the 30-50 age group from several parts of the United States felt that they were in a hostile environment in Poland. "When we visited the stone monument on the site of Mila 18 (the nerve-centre of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising in 1943), teenagers playing there sniggered at us," Mrs. Fantus said.

The party met no Polish Jews aged under 60 years and it found that the Warsaw Jewish community building had been recently desecrated by the painting of a swastika on the wall. The visitors also learned that there were plans to demolish the Warsaw Jewish cemetery because the Polish authorities considered it was a suitable site for a high-rise apartment block. Howard Stone, the executive director of the

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Sharp says Canada to back U.S. in talk bid

By MARK MEDICOFF
CJN Quebec Bureau Chief

OTTAWA –

External Affairs Minister Mitchell Sharp confirmed his government's intention of supporting the United States in a bid to open talks between Israel and Arab nations.

According to the U.S. proposal, the countries would enter into "proximity talks" with American diplomats acting as a liaison between the two groups who would be in separate rooms.

Sharp made his remarks at the annual dinner meeting of the Canada-Israel Committee in Ottawa where over 150 parliamentarians were invited to hear party policy statements on the Middle East. More than 150 Jews attended the dinner in an effort to build communication links between government representatives and the community.

The external affairs minister, who met Israel Foreign Minister Abba Eban for informal talks in Montreal recently, said that if Canada could play a useful role in a peace settlement, the government would consider a request for peace assistance.

He stressed, however, that the circumstance would only arise "after the parties agree on a potentially durable settlement and demonstrated their determination to make it work."

Two main objectives of the proximity talks would be to open the Suez Canal and "some withdrawal from the front"; initial settlements based on UN resolution 242 where Israel would withdraw from territories but maintain "secure and recognized boundaries."

Sharp added that another possibility for peace would be direct negotiations but "the drawback to the proposal in the context of the Arab-

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Conference a success

Blueprint for the future

JERUSALEM (JCNS-JTA) –

The Third Economic Conference is now over, and while an assessment of its accomplishments must await future time, it is agreed on all sides that this meeting of world business leaders will have as much impact on Israel's economy as the previous two.

Even before the 1,200 businessmen dispersed for their homeward journeys, it was learned that a number of sizeable deals have been made with Israeli firms, with many more expected in future months. An encouraging note was struck by Henry Ford II, president of the giant Ford Motor Co., of Detroit, who said his company is planning to increase its ties with Israel by buying spare parts here for its European plants.

Israel's Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir aroused applause from the delegates when he said Israel aims to double its gross national product in the next decade. It continued when Asher Yadlin, the head of Hevraf Ovdim, the holding company of Histadrut, said it was hoped to persuade the world's businessmen to invest $240 million a year to help develop Israel's industry and services to fulfil the government's five-year plan in this sector.

Marc Moshevich, president of the Israel Manufacturers Association, was critical of those who attacked Israel's industrial establishment. He said statements and charges were being made against the business community at a time when an all-out, mutual effort is needed to increase production.

Sapir told delegates that about 65 per cent of the equipment used in construction of Israel's second oil refinery at Ashdod which was formally opened last week, was made in Israel.

At a meeting of the finance committee chaired by Sapir, Ernest Yaffe, a director of the Bank Leumi, suggested that investments be made through the Israeli stock exchange. Jacob Levinson, of the Bank Hapoalim proposed the creation of a trust fund to sell shares to Israeli and foreign investors, thus limiting the risks of the latter. Benno Guetter, of the Israel Discount Bank, suggested that investments be channeled to specific projects, supervised in Israel.

The grandson of the founder of the Ford Motor Co., who came to Israel as the guest of the Israel Manufacturers Association, slipped and fell in his hotel room shortly after his arrival and suffered a broken left arm. He did not permit the injury to interfere with his schedule of meetings with Israeli business leaders.

Ford also was the victim of a thief who made off with his private car which was brought here from abroad. It was stolen near the Tel Aviv Hilton Hotel.

The Ford president said that in addition to buying spare parts in Israel, his company is thinking of contracting out some research work, and in this connection he mentioned the Technion.

Mrs. Patricia Rucker, this newspaper's special writer on Jewish education issues, spent several months researching material for this important series of articles, the first of which appears below. The course of Jewish education in Toronto is expected to undergo significant changes, as a result of the findings of the Toronto Study Group on Jewish Education.

Study to tell us what are needs of our schools

By PATRICIA RUCKER
(First of a Series)

TORONTO –

"My child – the graduate." A Jewish cliche.

"My child's education." A Jewish priority. And nowhere is it more of an official priority than in Toronto today.

For two years, a special Study Committee on Jewish Education, sponsored by the United Jewish Welfare Fund in conjunction with the Board of Jewish Education, has been taking a very hard look at the state of Jewish education in the metropolitan area. In the process, the community is getting a very hard look at itself.

What kind of Jewish education does the community want? To what extent is it willing to support its schools? And just how good are these schools? The answers will indicate the direction Jewish community life will take in Toronto for years to come.

As North York school trustee Saul Cowan, chairman of the committee's task force on teacher training, recruitment and welfare, puts it, "One of the purposes of a Jewish education is to increase in young people not only a pride in our heritage and its contribution to society but also a desire to enhance it."

The community needs the schools to survive – and the schools need the community. The point at which these needs converged was Toronto's central fund-raising agency, the United Jewish Welfare Fund. Lawyer Donald Carr, co-chairman of the Study Committee, was president of the UJWF in 1971-72.

"For many years now," he explains, "three main questions have been percolating around the Welfare Fund tables. These included the financial pressures on all schools, only some of which are subsidized by the community through the Welfare Fund; the repeated cry that it is difficult to get qualified teachers; and the ultimate question – 'What is this Jewish education we are subsidizing? What are its quality and results?' "

To answer these questions, the Welfare Fund decided in February 1971 to undertake a study of the entire Jewish educational system in metropolitan Toronto. That decision has cost committee members and their families innumerable evenings and Sundays, and will cost them a great many more before the reports are finished, early in 1974. It is also expected to cost the community, through the Welfare Fund, approximately $95,000, spread over three years.

Shoshana Kurtz, a doctoral candidate in education at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education and a former teacher at Eitz Chaim, is one of the small professional staff working on the study under the direction of Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive director of the Board of Jewish Education. She considers the money well spent.

Pointing out that over one million dollars – about 50% of the Welfare Fund's annual budget – is spent each year on Jewish education in Toronto, she insists on the need for rational planning. "You have no right to spend that kind of money without making a study. In the end, the $95,000 will be saved over and over again." Rabbi Witty describes the committee's final report as "a blueprint for Jewish education for the next ten years, a solid, considered approach. It will be the community's voice."

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Rabbi Irwin Witty (left), executive director of the Toronto Board of Jewish Education, discusses the Study Committee on Jewish Education with Sydney Midanik, its chairman. (Gadi Hoz Photo)

WORLD NEWS

Yeshiva degrees awarded

NEW YORK–

Seven Canadian residents received undergraduate degrees Monday at the annual commencement of Yeshiva University in New York.

Among them were two Toronto youths, Michael Leider, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Leider, and Mordecai Hoschander, son of Rabbi and Mrs. Henry Hoschander. Both received bachelor of arts' degrees.

Graduates from Montreal were Michael Ajchenbaum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Serge Ajchenbaum; Shaul Gutner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gutner; who both received BAs; Noal Malowitzky, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Malowitzsky, who received a master of science degree; and the only female Canadian graduate, Heather Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Green.

A BA degree also went to Yechiel Eckstein of Ottawa, son of Rabbi and Mrs. Simon Eckstein.

Israeli President Katzir

Chancellor Weisgal

Canadian VIPs attend ceremony at Weizmann Institute of Science

At the ceremonies marking the cornerstone laying of the Canadian Centre for Nuclear Physics were a number of VIPs from Canada, the U.S. and Israel. Among them were (front row left) Mr. and Mrs. Murray B. Koffler.

Looking at model of centre (from left) are Murray Koffler, Bert Gerstein, Acting Institute President Israel Dostrovsky and George Zuckerman of Toronto

Eban expresses anxiety over U.S. deals with Arabs

JERUSALEM (JTA) –

Foreign Minister Abba Eban told the Knesset contacts were proceeding with the U.S. Government at the present time to clarify American arms deals with Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

While stressing that U.S. Middle East policy has not changed, Eban said the quantity and quality of weapons in Arab hands affected Israel's security because, despite their deep divisions, the Arab states comprise "a sort of common market" when it comes to arms and "are united in their hatred of Israel."

Eban said Israel's "mutual links of confidence with the U.S. enable us to clarify frankly" such problems. Official sources here have indicated concern over reports that the U.S. plans to sell $1 billion worth of arms to Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. Although the arms sales are intended to bolster the pro-Western Persian Gulf states against the Soviet-backed regime in Iraq, Israel fears that at least some of the weapons may eventually reach Egypt.

The arms deal with Saudi Arabia is said to include the purchase by that country of more than $500 million in U.S. naval craft, military communications equipment and training assistance. U.S. Government officials have indicated that as many as 19 naval craft may be sold to Saudi Arabia and Kuwait is negotiating for the purchase of an additional $500 million worth of weaponry including tanks and planes.

Eban said Israel understood the need to establish relative security in the Persian Gulf area. But he cited the recent transfer of French Mirage jets bought by Libya to Egypt and the presence in Egypt of British hunters from Iraq and Saudi Arabia as ample proof weapons are interchangeable between the Arab states despite their ideological differences and rivalries.

In a Knesset speech that touched on a wide range of foreign policy matters, Eban said Israel was unwilling to play a part in the artificially created war fever currently generated by Cairo. He said Israel was nevertheless reacting with military alertness.

Israel officials welcome appointment of Keating

NEW YORK (JCNS) –

Kenneth Keating, the 73 yr. old former New York Republican Senator, who has been appointed United States Ambassador to Israel, will depart from customary Embassy practice by holding regular briefings for local and foreign journalists in Tel Aviv. In an interview with Haim Yavin, Israel Radio's correspondent, here, Keating a former American Ambassador to India said that the idea of top-level briefings was successfully used in that country.

Israeli officials are known to welcome Keating's appointment mainly because he is not a State Department man, but whether he will have a "direct line" to the White House is another question.

Some sources here point out that Dr. Henry Kissinger, President Nixon's national security adviser, was involved in the choice of Keating but that in view of Keating's differences with the Nixon Administration during the India–Pakistan conflict it was a puzzle why he had been appointed Ambassador to Israel. Whatever the reason, the Israeli view is that the Tel Aviv post is not particularly significant, certainly not as important as the post of Israeli Ambassador in Washington.

Keating is first and foremost a politician who has shown his loyalty to President Nixon by campaigning for him and by keeping silent when admonished by the White House for supporting the views of the Indian Government. As a politician, Keating has found it prudent sometimes to back Israel and at others to be critical of Israel. Thus in 1948, he opposed President Truman's embargo on arms supplies to Palestine, but in the 1950's he supported President Eisenhower's policy of placing pressure on Israel. At that time, Keating declared: "All Western Europe relies on Middle Eastern oil which is vital to its economy." In 1964, when unsuccessfully seeking re-election to the Senate in his contest against the late Senator Robert Kennedy, in New York, Keating played up the Israel issue in the campaign.

U.S. must reduce its dependency on Arab states for oil: Ford

BOSTON (ZOAC) –

House Minority Leader Gerald R. Ford warns that the United States must reduce its dependency on the Arab states for oil or risk the possibility of Arab economic "blackmail" attempts against American foreign policy in the Middle East.

In an address to a Zionist Organization of America dinner at the Statler Hilton here, Rep. Ford said "there have been threats from various Arab sources that we must abandon Israel if the oil is to flow.

"It is my conviction that we must not permit any regime in the Middle East to have Uncle Sam over a barrel of oil," Rep. Ford said.

"We cannot afford to pay the first installment of such blackmail," he said, for "if we open ourselves to blackmail, we will never know the timing or extent of future extortions."

(Rep. Ford is the second leading House Republican this month to cite the possible danger to American foreign policy that is inherent in the United States' reliance on the Arab world for much of its oil. Rep. John B. Anderson of Illinois, chairman of the House Republican Conference, told a May 2 ZOA dinner in Miami Beach that "the potential for political blackmail" by the Arabs "is obvious," and that "it is not hard to imagine the implications and pressures that will hamper strong diplomacy in behalf of Israel.")

Meanwhile, in Washington, a **Jewish Chronicle News** dispatch quoted Senator J.W. Fulbright as saying in a Senate address that growing dependence on Middle East oil might lead the United States or its "militarily potent surrogates", such as Iran or Israel, to take over the oil-producing Arab nations by force. He said that because of the energy crisis, "our present policy makers and policy influencers may come to the conclusion that military action is required to secure the oil resources of the Middle East to secure our exposed jugular."

The senator, who is chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said there was no question of the United States' ability to forcibly take over these oil producing states of the Middle East. He added: "We might not even have to do it ourselves."

Limor Sharir (centre), 19-year-old honey blonde girl soldier, was elected 1973 Miss Israel. Runners-up were Haya Katzir (left) and Aviva Magor. (IPPA Photo)

Simcha N. Dinitz

Another victory not wanted

LOS ANGELES (JTA) –

Israel "has never lost a war, never will lose another war, but does not want another victory," Simcha Dinitz, Israeli ambassador to the United States, declared here in his first West Coast appearance since his recent appointment to the post.

He told guests at a United Jewish Welfare Dinner, "We don't want another victory because wars leave orphans and broken homes. We don't need to adorn our army with another victory."

Dinitz explained that during Israel's 25 years of existence as an independent nation it has fought four wars with its Arab neighbors and won every one of them without achieving peace. He said, however, the wars have accomplished a foundation in Arab minds of Israel's indestructability. Such an Arab conviction could lead to a change in Arab mentality in respect to negotiating peace, he suggested.

"You don't negotiate with a country you can destroy," he said. "Israel must be so strong that no Arab leaders will launch further aggression. A strong Israel is the best guarantee for peace."

Dinitz added the only problem is getting the Arabs to talk about peace. "The Koreans are talking, the Chinese are talking, the Russians are talking, even the Europeans are talking. The only place where there is no talking is the Middle East," he said.

Appoint Gelbard

BUENOS AIRES (JTA) –

Jose Bar Gelbard, a Polish-born Jew, has been appointed finance minister in Argentina's new government. The appointment was announced at the inauguration of President Hector J. Campora.

Gelbard, 56, who came to this country with his parents as a child, is also acting minister of commerce and agriculture until permanent appointments are made. It is believed his first step will be to tighten currency controls as a step in combatting the skyrocketing inflation.

American officials worry about protests during Brezhnev's visit

NEW YORK (JCNS) –

American officials are seriously worried about the danger of militant Jewish groups staging protest demonstrations during the forthcoming visit of Leonid Brezhnev, the secretary of the Soviet Community Party.

Officials of the State Department have conceded their concern and have expressed the hope that Brezhnev will not ask to visit New York where they fear large-scale anti-Soviet demonstrations on behalf of Soviet Jews might offend the visitor.

In what was considered an attempt at intimidation, the FBI last week raided the New York office of the Jewish Defence League, removed files and smashed equipment. One American source has revealed that a campaign of intimidation was now under way to deter Jewish militants from embarrassing Brezhnev. The American Jewish Congress has asked Mayor John Lindsay of New York to investigate the raid on the JDL offices.

A spokesman said that although the Congress deplored the methods of the JDL, they were still obliged to defend that group's civil rights.

Scandal caused by intellectuals

BRUSSELS (JCNS) –

The publication in one of Belgium's biggest daily newspapers of a declaration signed by 60 Jewish intellectuals has caused considerable perturbation in the Belgian community. Indeed, it has become something of a scandal and has aroused great emotion and vigorous protest.

Entitled "The Jews and the State of Israel," the declaration was published during Belgian Jewry's fervent public celebrations of Israel's 25th anniversary and could not fail to be considered a provocation by the overwhelming majority or the Belgian community, whose attachment to Israel is very apparent.

The signatories of the declaration expressed their opposition to the "opportunity given to Israel to put herself forward as the defender and spokesman of all world Jewry." They rejected "all the more the right (of Israel) to represent the millions of Jews who had suffered – and are still suffering – from discrimination and racial violence, since Israel's policy towards the Palestinian people systematically employs the practices of oppression and terror."

The signatories asserted that Zionism "which stirs up and maintains the most pervious chauvinism, is an inadequate response to the danger of anti-Semitism and does not constitute a means of creating fellowship between national communities, reducing racial tension or promoting peace in the world."

The Union of Former Jewish Students, which numbers the largest group of Jewish intellectuals among its members, has now published a vigorous protest against the declaration. However, further developments can be expected since three administrators of the Martin Buber Institute of Jewish Studies were among the signatories of the declaration.

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Religion, family commitment way to positive identity

VANCOUVER –

Young people find it easy to turn away from Judaism if it has been a token thing in their lives, slipped in between the guitar lessons and the orthodontist, more than 100 members of the National Council of Jewish Women were told at their annual meeting at the Bayshore Inn.

This observation by Abe Hering of the Jewish Family Service Agency was one of many provocative comments on threats to Jewish family continuity made by a panel that also included Rabbi Marvin Hier of Schara Tzedek Synagogue, Rabbi Harold Rubens of Temple Sholom and Professor Dorothy Smith of the University of British Columbia department of anthropology and sociology.

While the rabbis stressed that there could be no meaningful participation in Jewish life without religious affiliation, however, Hering saw the possibility of positive identification with Judaism through secular Jewish organizations and inter-family or small group commitment.

Dr. Smith explored the changing role of women, now that the home has become a "residual place" rather than the centre of work and activity, and the mother is no longer the "key to survival" for children.

Both rabbis agreed that there was a high cost to being Jewish, both in terms of the financial demands on families of moderate means, and because of the often conflicting pressures of the Jewish community, society in general and peer groups.

'Israel's experience can teach lessons'

By Thomas Schnurmacher

MONTREAL –

Canada's social insurance policies can benefit greatly from the Israeli experience, according to Federal Health Minister Marc Lalonde.

Lalonde expressed admiration for the speed with which Israel had built up a comprehensive social security system. "Notwithstanding the fact that Israel as a modern state is only 25 years old, today the National Insurance law of Israel covers maternity, family allowances, old age and survivors, work injuries as well as a comprehensive compulsory unemployment scheme that is now under way," he said.

The minister discussed income supplementation and the working poor at a Montreal Israel Bond Organization Dinner honoring Maurice Silcoff for his role in advancing the living standards of the working class. Silcoff, vice-president of the Jewish Labour Committee, and former Canadian vice-president of the United Hatters, Cap and Millinery Workers International Union had helped to establish trade unions in Montreal.

Lalonde explained the concept of income supplementation for the working poor. He defined the working poor as "those who, although not on welfare, must subsist on very low incomes."

He stressed: "Any supplementation program for the working poor must be designed in such a way that it will be more profitable for beneficiaries to continue working than to quit work and attempt to live on the benefit.

"Though the average family income in Canada in 1971 exceeded $10,000, in the same year more than 800,000 families had incomes of less than $4,000," according to Lalonde.

"Children whose parents have incomes of less than half the Canadian average are surrounded at school, on the streets and in the playgrounds by constant reminders of their own deprivation. They observe a way of life – widely regarded as the Canadian way of life – which they are unable to share."

Norman Levitt (left), chairman of the Israel Independence Day committee, receives gift from Hamilton Mayor Victor Copps at recent proclamation ceremony.

Hamilton mayor and wife to visit Israel this year

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON –

Mayor Victor K. Copps, and Mrs. Copps will be visiting Jerusalem as guests of Mayor Teddy Kollek later this year.

Norm Levitt, chairman of Hamilton's Israel Independence Day committee, extended the invitation to him following the mayor's special anniversary proclamation at City Hall during the recent Israel Independence Day celebrations.

Guiding spirit behind the invitation is another mayor, CHML radio's popular "mayor of the morning" Paul Hanover, who was instrumental in obtaining the invitation from Mayor Kollek.

For Copps, the meeting with Teddy Kollek will mean the renewal of an acquaintance begun two years ago, when the Jerusalem mayor visited Hamilton in connection with a State of Israel Bonds drive. For some time, also, the two mayors have occasionally corresponded on matters concerning their two cities.

The mayor said he is most gratified to have been given this opportunity to visit Israel.

"What we are going to do and see in Jerusalem is entirely up to Mayor Kollek," he said, "and we shall just be happy to fit in with his routine."

Devout Roman Catholics, Mr. and Mrs. Copps hope to visit the holy places and in particular some of the Christian shrines.

The mayor does not yet know how long his trip will be or where else in Israel he will be visiting, but he does know the organizers have provided for a four-day stop-over in Rome. "To give me equal time with the Pope, I suppose," he added.

For years the Jews of Hamilton have looked upon their mayor as a special friend and it is only fitting, Levitt said, that he should have this opportunity to visit Israel during its 25th anniversary year.

Reminiscent of Holocaust indifference

Envoy lashes at UN apathy

By GARY LAFORET
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO –

World indifference to treatment shown Israel by the United Nations is strongly reminiscent of the apathy which allowed the Holocaust, an Israeli delegate to the UN said here this week.

"Something we thought was forgotten is looming big on the horizon again," Ambassador Extraordinary Jacob Barmore warned guests attending a State of Israel Bonds dinner. "This is what we should know. This is what we should be aware of."

The ambassador added that countries which did little to stop the slaughter of 30 years ago are now doing little at the UN to ensure that Israel is able to retain the defensible borders she won in the 1967 war.

Barmore was a replacement speaker at the dinner at which $1,266,000 was pledged. Yosef Tekoah, Israel's permanent representative to the UN, was forced to remain in New York to prepare for a review of the Middle East deadlock. He had originally been scheduled to speak.

Speaking under light security, Barmore told more than 125 people at a private trustees dinner at the Park Plaza Hotel that the Israeli delegation would be well prepared for the Security Council meeting but that they did not consider the UN a fair judge.

"The UN, being a political body, is incapable of giving a fair deal," he charged, adding that the Security Council was equally unjust.

"How can we expect a body composed of 15 members, seven of whom have no connection with Israel . . . to render a fair decision? What trust can we have in their ability to solve the Middle East problem?"

He said Israel did not hold with the advice of some nations at the UN that the Jewish state should partially withdraw from the occupied territories.

"Withdrawing a little means dying a little, and we have died enough," declared Barmore.

The ambassador assured his audience that under no circumstances would Israel return to her weak borders of before the Six Day War because, she would be "tempting the enemy back to destroy Israel."

Barmore, who received a standing ovation at the conclusion of his fiery 30 minute address, told a press conference earlier in the day that the UN simply "recognized a reality" when they proclaimed Israel's statehood 25 years ago.

Asked by a reporter if Israel didn't owe her independence to the body he was criticizing, Barmore replied: "Israel's independence was not offered to us on a silver platter. We paid for it in blood."

The ambassador expressed confidence in the Western nations particularly the United States, not to sell out Israel for the oil they need, and could possibly get from the Arab nations.

"We think the Western nations have enough resources not to sacrifice Israel. History has shown that, should they yield in this respect they will have to yield in other respects," he said. "It's like a hijacking - you pay the price and then there's no end to it."

At the dinner, which was hosted by developer A. E. Diamond, trustees chairman of the Toronto Bonds chapter, General Chairman Donald Lipman gave his report.

He said the 1972 campaign which he also chaired netted $9,266,000 in cash and that the 1973 campaign goal was $12 million. At the conclusion of the evening which traditionally provided the impetus for Bond campaigns here, it was announced that, counting the evening's pledges - some of which were in six figures - the campaign had raised $2,760,000.

Jacob Barmore

Ground broken for new shul

OTTAWA –

A groundbreaking ceremony was held on Sunday to celebrate the start of construction of the new synagogue building for Congregation Machzikei Hadas.

The congregation hopes to move in September from the premises on Murray Street in downtown Ottawa, which it has occupied since 1925, to its new home on Virginia Drive in the Alta Vista area of the city.

Rabbi Dr. Reuven P. Bulka, spiritual leader of the congregation, explained the new location of the synagogue was chosen in keeping with the responsibility of the community "to place a shul where a shul is needed most." The recent influx of Jewish families into Alta Vista made it important, Rabbi Bulka said, to provide that area of the city with the many services of a synagogue.

Theodor Meron, Israel's ambassador to Canada, was present and spoke of the importance of the synagogue in the continuation of Jewish life.

Speaking for the Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir, Norman Zagerman, vice president, congratulated the congregation and "in particular the rabbinic and lay leadership" on the efforts and accomplishments which led to the planning of the new synagogue.

Among the 250 members and friends of Machzikei Hadas who assembled for the ceremony were representatives from all the synagogues – Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform – throughout the city.

The actual groundbreaking was done by three groups.

Sol Saslove, president of Machzikei Hadas, Rudy Appotive, chairman of the building committee, Mrs. Libby Steinberg, president of the sisterhood, and Leibel Steinberg, the oldest member of the congregation, together dug the first shovelful of earth at the place where the Holy Ark of the new synagogue is to be constructed.

Study to tell us what our schools need

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It looks as if the community is getting a bargain. Lawyers, accountants, businessmen, engineers, educators at all levels in both the public and Jewish schools, present and former public school trustees – all are serving on the Study Committee or on the six task forces investigating specific areas of concern, and all are volunteers.

The budget for the study covers the staff, ludicrously small by public education standards, secretarial services and supplies, and occasional consulting fees for outside experts.

It is the degree of community involvement that makes the study unique. Other North American communities, looking at similar problems, have commissioned studies from the American Association for Jewish Education, just as Toronto did. The fate of that report gives some indication as to why the current study committee decided to do it themselves this time.

Written by the late Uriah Z. Engelman, who spent a brief period in Toronto in 1961, it produced such adverse reaction that Dr. Joseph Diamond, then executive director of the Bureau (now Board) of Jewish Education, felt compelled to issue a rebuttal.

J. Sydney Midanik, a lawyer and former Toronto school trustee, who serves as chairman of the study committee, hopes that this report will draw both the support and the continuing interest of the community. He believes that "the more people involved, the more likely it is that the community will accept it. Experts have to spend a great deal of time just learning about the idiosyncracies of the community."

There has been a definite attempt to represent all shades of opinion from orthodox to reform to secular. Moreover, two of the basic guidelines, Midanik explains, are that "we would not challenge the fundamental value of a Jewish education, and we would not challenge ideologies."

These guidelines are essential to any rational attempt to make recommendations that the community will accept. But as the committee comes closer and closer to the deadline for producing recommendations that will be useful and not merely inoffensive, the guidelines begin to look more and more like supports for a tightrope.

Dr. Arnold Ages, professor of French at the University of Waterloo and chairman of the task force on the day schools, acknowledges that "there is little that does not impinge on the philosophy of the school. We do not intend to be limited to purely mechanical matters."

One potentially controversial question that the committee must study does impinge directly on the philosophies of many schools and many individuals. Should there be one day high school – and only one – which receives community financial support?

When the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT) was approved for Welfare Fund support a decade ago, it was on the strict understanding that it would be the community high school. As time went on, the community became less and less enamoured of that decision and at present there are four Jewish day high schools – CHAT, which receives a Welfare Fund subsidy, and two Orthodox (girls' and boys') and one Conservative, which do not. (The Conservative school is closing at the end of this school year.) Only a lack of funds prevented Bialik, a Zionist – Yiddishist school, from expanding its enormously popular junior high school through to senior matriculation.

Can such diversity be accommodated within one school? Should it be? And if not, what is the rationale for supporting only one form of education?

And, while the committee is looking at the question of subsidization, why should evening schools be, for the most part, unsupported? Two-thirds of Toronto children receiving some form of Jewish education are in evening or congregational schools, and the vast majority of these are non-subsidized.

The question of financing is a crucial one, since it affects every area of Jewish education. You cannot have quality education without good teachers and adequate physical facilities, and you cannot have these without money. When funds are limited, you must allocate them sensibly and fairly.

In deciding whether the present system does either, the committee and its task forces are bound to impinge on somebody's philosophy. Even the members themselves are divided in their personal feelings. Some support the ideal of one community high school, open to all, where children from all Jewish religious backgrounds can meet and learn to understand and respect each other. Others concede that such an ideal is impossible, if not undesirable. According to several committee members, it may even prove to be uneconomical.

This is the kind of tough question the study is trying to resolve. It is only one. Subsequent articles in this series will outline some of the others – many of them worthy of Solomon.

They could have used him on the study committee.

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Apologies unlikely despite report exonerating Israel in air tragedy

The outpouring of condemnation of Israel following the shooting down of the Libyan airliner last February with a loss of 110 lives, was a shocking example of finding an accused guilty without trial.

Israel's insistence that her fighter pilots had given clear warning to the Libyan airliner to land, in accordance with international law, was submerged in the welter of accusations that came from nations and individuals only too anxious to condemn the Jewish nation.

This week Israel was vindicated by a report from a team of five experts from the International Civil Aviation Organization. The Libyan plane went off course as a result of a series of errors by the airliner crew and ground control and the cockpit voice recorder and statements from passengers backed up the statement of the Israeli fighter team on the measures taken to make the airliner land.

The official report is to be published this week, but Reuter's news service was able to get a glimpse of the material in advance. The full text will make interesting reading. No one in his right mind will suggest that the five-man team is in the pay of Israel. These experts made an exhaustive investigation of the tragedy and their report is based on what they found, regardless of any other consideration.

If the Egyptians at Cairo airport and the pilot of the Libyan plane had not been guilty of "an unparalleled degree of inefficiency, slackness and irresponsibility," (as the report says), the tragedy likely would never have occurred. The investigating team minced no words in condemning the conduct of the Libyan pilot and that of the Egyptians in charge of the ground control equipment at Cairo.

The death of 110 innocent persons in this tragedy should never have happened, but the CAO report clearly shows that all the blame should not be laid at Israel's door. Israelis, from Prime Minister Golda Meir to the man in the street, were shaken by the catastrophe. But the expressions of genuine sorrow voiced by Israel's leaders were drowned in the unrestrained invective used by her critics.

Says London's **Daily Express**, commenting on the CAO findings: "The report exonerates the Israelis to an extent that many countries and organizations which criticized them for an unprovoked act of barbarism will have to do some swift diplomatic apologizing."

To use a popular expression, don't hold your breath waiting for apologies from those who delighted to heap abuse on Israel without knowing all the facts. It was to be expected that Arab nations would seize on the tragedy to villify Israel as barbarians deliberately embarked on a murderous course of extermination, but what we were not prepared for - though we should have been - was the barrage of vindictive condemnation from non-Middle East nations.

We doubt whether the damage done to Israel's image in the world will be repaired by the CAO report. But people unfettered by the sick prejudice of anti-Semitism will be able to assess for themselves what really happened in the sky over Israel on that February day.

CBC's 'objectivity' is questioned

Basic to the purveying of news and opinion, in the tradition of our democratic concepts of freedom of the press and expression, is the CBC's professed policy of objectivity and obsession with not showing favoritism.

Since CBC is a public corporation owned by the Canadian taxpayer, this is generally a commendable policy--even if it tends to make the presentation of news somewhat bland and sterile, compared to the razzle-dazzle and occasional partisan news style of the U.S. networks.

CBC's great self-control in resisting the pressures of opinion, both public and private, were in exemplary evidence last week for the presentation of the final "item" on the **National News**: a documentary film clip of no less a personage of renewed contemporary interest than Adolf Hitler.

While the clip, showing Hitler in his more "human moments," playing with children and dancing the jig, it must have seemed more like a nightmare of eternity for anyone who suffered at his hands or recalls the Nazi Holocaust as mankind's most harrowing cataclysm.

The film clip is taken from captured Nazi archives. It is part of a new, sick preoccupation with Hitler, in that mystical and mysterious way social scientists have for explaining and rationalizing that evil is something shared by all mankind - and even the victim, if only vicariously, must share the guilt.

This kind of intellectual gymnastics is apparently what prompted the CBC's editors of the **National** to run that clip about Hitler.

Even as men still struggle to understand the evil of Nazi Germany, **Time** magazine, in an excellent essay, tries to explain the new fascination with Hitler. The CBC, not to be outdone, pours acid on the still-fresh wounds by a piece of film created by Nazis and designed to show Hitler in a most benevolent and human light.

Aside from the fact **National**, as a regular, nightly newscast, didn't seem to have any special reason for using the film because there was certainly no news peg to justify its use, there is also a question as to whether running the film was justified in terms of redeeming social value.

Even if the CBC commentator did use the word "monster" in relation to Adolph Hitler, the film fulfilled no important need and probably shocked and offended a large number of television viewers.

A CBC spokesman claims the item was handled carefully and tastefully, but even if it has been used by other U.S. television outlets, that hardly justifies the CBC's contribution to the new, special attention being paid to the Hitler myth.

A few years ago the U.S. neo-Nazi George Lincoln Rockwell, who spoke furiously and frequently in support of Hitler's final solution for the Jews, was invited to be interviewed on CBC.

When the Canadian Jewish Congress sparked an avalanche of protest, the CBC, in the true spirit of impartiality, simply invited the "other side," i.e., the Jews, to present their side of the controversy and debate the issues with Rockwell.

All in the name of objectivity, of course.

Lack of funds cited

CZF defends effort of 25th celebrations

The Canadian Jewish News welcomes letters from readers but finds itself unable to accept for publication any letter of a length exceeding 350 — 400 words. Space limitations makes it necessary to adopt this policy which will enable The CJN to print a larger volume of letters on a variety of topics.

This picture was sent in by the Canadian Zionist Federation "as visible proof of the happy involvement of young and old led in dance by our consul-general, Shmuel Ovnat." Toronto's 25th anniversary celebrations took place in a hockey arena.

Dear Editor:

We, the co-chairmen of the committee to mark Israel's 25th year of statehood, feel deeply dismayed and disturbed at Mr. Levendel's lengthy and detailed criticism of the May 6 happening at the North York Centennial Arena. Much of what he says may be true, but we ask his acknowledgement of several very important facts.

First of all, **The Canadian Jewish News** reporters covering the event evidently saw and heard through different eyes and ears, for theirs was a glowing report (Friday, May 11 issue).

Secondly, the whole year's activity from the torch bearing ceremony in September to the Yorkdale show in March was glossed over and thereby downgraded.

And thirdly, Mr. Levendel must know that working with no funds means that the best arrangements often are curtailed or altered. We knew there were other places to hold this celebration; we had no money to rent them. We deliberately chose not to charge so that everyone would be able to participate. We knew the acoustics in an ice arena were not the most suitable, but we did try to effect a remedy. We asked for and received co-operation from all speakers whose remarks were brief and pertinent. They also seemed to be well received because the spontaneous applause was observed by all.

Last of all, a community-wide affair takes cognizance of community leaders - we chose those organizations who represented the mainstream of Jewish life in Toronto, and until the last moment did not know from the invitees who was going to appear. And starting late? Well, our traffic spotters knew people were still streaming in, and we Jews have never been famous for punctuality. We felt duty-bound to wait for late comers.

Excuses? Perhaps. But we do ask that there be understanding and some appreciation for a volunteer effort that we can accept as not quite being up to our own expectations. And encouragement to try to do better - well, with such a blanket repudiation of the event, we wonder. The only consolation we have now is this visible proof of the happy involvement of young and old led in dance by our consul-general, Shmuel Ovnat.

Mrs. Irene Fink, Max Schecter
co-chairmen of Canadian committee for the celebration of Israel's 25th anniversary
Toronto

Dear Editor:

Your May 11th issue featured a book review of Andrews' book **Siegfried's Curse** by Rabbi Bernard Baskin.

In the context of this review, Rabbi Baskin refers to my brother-in-law, Otto Weininger, whose suicide occurred 70 years ago this coming October, as a "sad victim of self-hatred." My brother-in-law was a profound philosopher, one of the greatest who ever lived. Hardly over 20 years of age, he published one of the most significant works of philosophy: **Sex and Character**, whose intrinsic value has yet to be contested. I am, however, willing to concur with Rabbi Baskin's description of Andrews' characterization.

A different matter is involved as far as the great impressionist painter Professor Max Liebermann (1847-1935) is concerned. To describe this great artist as a "sad victim of self-hatred" is truly absurd. Professor Liebermann was a most prominent member of the Jewish community of Berlin. His dedication to German Judaism was unimpeachable.

Eugene Kellert
Montreal

Dear Editor:

Pinchas B. Elazar's reply to my letter to Chief Rabbi Goren in Israel regarding his refusal to enter into dialogue with Reform and Conservative rabbis saddens me.

Not only has he attacked my personal integrity, he has also taken my remarks regarding my friendship with the Orthodox rabbi's family entirely out of context. Moreover, the rabbi's wife was never my foster mother.

However, his remark that "there never has been and never can be any dialogue with 'them' (Reform or Orthodox rabbis) as little as there can be dialogue between fire and water," makes my point exactly.

Senta Hodes
Willowdale

Dear Editor:

On Wednesday evening, May 23, I attended a talk given by Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

With dignity, love and affection, the learned rabbi explored the risks and dangers of Key 73 and the effects this Christian conversion campaign is having on Jewish young people.

But where were the adolescents on Wednesday evening? Certainly not in the Beth Tzedec Youth Chapel where the lecture was being presented.

Now, wouldn't it be nice if our synagogues and our temples could adjust to contemporary life style changes and reconstruct their laymen committee systems to include along with the sisterhood and brotherhood committees a "mid-adolescence -- middle age committee," and also to fit the present day needs in our Jewish community a "single parents committee."

Why not have these committees established now to cope with our ever-increasing changes taking place in our everyday way of Jewish family life.

H. Max Seiden
Toronto

Dear Editor:

Mr. Marvin Klotz brings up in a letter the subject of militarism and Palestinian refugees in the context of Judaism. Is the inference in militarism that Jews can be manipulated as scapegoats and offer no physical resistance as occurred the previous two millenia of our history due to the inevitable circumstances of helplessness. Or is the reference to the ethics and conduct of war itself? Biblical and Talmudic concepts in this regard are exemplars of humanism.

The astounding and unparalleled accomplishments of the Israelis in their 25 years in the arts, sciences, economy and the high level of social justice despite the manifold obstacles seem even legendary today. Moreover, their valiantness in the perseverance for self-protection against innumerable odds testify to the resilience and indomitability of the human spirit. These complementary ideals characterize the supreme nobility of the Jewish state. The quintessence of the Israelis was manifested during the aftermath of the Six Day War; in victory, solemn reflection at the Western Wall. The book, **The Seventh Day**, (Siach Lohamim) by S. Teveth chronicles this unique introspection of soldiers after war.

The Palestinian refugees' claim is absurd insofar as they are still exploited as political pawns whereas more numerous Jewish refugees forced to depart from Arab countries have been resettled in Israel; in effect, a transference of population. As is too preposterous, the Arab claim to the West Bank, a result of the irrational partition of Palestine in 1947.

The seer Balaam's declaration (Num. 23): "Behold a nation dwells solitary and among peoples it is not reckoned," still holds validity. Morality is indistinguishable from self-interest and realpolitik as is evident from the hyprocrisy directed towards Israel in the U.N. An anti-Zionist policy is the new euphemistic slogan of that ancient crude game, anti-Semitism. Pope Paul sanctimoniously alluding to the action of Jews in the Middle East during his recent encounter with Premier Meir reflects on his regret in 1968 at the destruction of planes in Beirut airport rather than on the loss of life preceding the retaliation.

Jacob Mendlovic
Montreal

Reader claims Orthodoxy deters bridging Jewish gap

Dear Editor:

It is with much sorrow that I am forced to reply to the intemperate letter by Pinchas B. Elazar in your May 25 edition. Elazar was quite brutal in his demolishment of Senta Hodes who had previously written an emotional letter in defence of Reform Judaism.

While I, personally, as a member of a Conservative synagogue, and thus not entirely unsympathetic to some of Elazar's criticisms of the more assimilationist aspects of the Reform service, the venom and bitterness evident in his reply only serves to increase the gulf that is developing between Orthodoxy and the Jewish people as a whole.

I had hoped that, with the establishment of the state of Israel, some "coming together" of the three movements might occur. Unfortunately, while this seems to be true for Reform and Conservative Judaism, Orthodoxy is still prepared to allow more than 50 per cent of the Jews of this world to languish in a "never, never land" of Orthodoxy's own making.

The simple existence today of so many uncommitted Jews, both here and in Israel, as well as the existence of millions of Reform and Conservative Jews, should at least give Elazar some food for more constructive thought. Orthodoxy's stance at present is more like that of the ostrich burying its head in the sand and behaving as if it were oblivious to the world rushing by it. The great rabbinic teachers of the past were always characterized by their profound love for humanity and their tolerance for others. Those who speak for Orthodoxy at present are far better characterized by their bigotry, intolerance, and contempt for and towards others.

What was even more detestable on the part of Elazar was his infantile attempt to stigmatize Mrs. Hodes as an ignoramus and to portray himself as the repository of intellectual honesty. To attempt by some sophistry to connect the Fathers Abraham and Isaac, who lived in an era prior to the great ritual formulations of present day Judaism, with the tenets of modern day Orthodoxy is ingenuous at best and dishonest at worst.

What he means by the concept of "historical Israel," I am not sure, but certainly historical Judaism has been characterized by constant evolution in thought, ritual, and ethics since the days of the Patriarchs. It was indeed, this ability of our religion to formulate alternative methods of worship; to derive the means and concept of rabbinical Judiasm which allowed the effects of the vast dispersion following the destruction of the Second Temple to be minimized, yet still allowed leeway with which Judaism could adjust to the constantly changing world about it that enabled it to survive to this day.

Through the Responsa and with the authority of the rabbinical academies behind them, the rabbis were able for many years to shepherd the majority of their flock through the most trying of times. In our modern era the relatively static world of East European Jewry (which American, Israeli, and British Orthodoxy have in truth not yet left) has been beseiged on all sides by many competing ideologies particularly nationalism and humanism.

Instead of joining hands with their fellow Jews who are honestly attempting to find their way out of this morass, it is Orthodoxy which is deliberately isolating our people into non-communicating enclaves. Orthodoxy will not decide what path Judaism will follow. Only time and history through events and the millions of decisions that each Jew makes each day will determine what the future holds. Certainly it would be a disaster for us all if the influences and vitality of Orthodoxy were allowed to whither in splendid and self-righteous isolation, but until their spokesmen adopt a more conciliatory tone, and come out from behind their protective shield of arrogance, such a catastrophe is distinctly possible.

Whether their followers know it or not, Orthodox teachings today are just as derivative of those "heretical" movements that Judaism left behind as was the counter reformation of Catholicism derivative of Protestantism. Every institution will in the course of its own development adopt those aspects of its revolutionary offshoots that are valid and necessary for its own growth and survival or else it will become itself extinct.

Elazar maintains that fire and water can never have any meaningful dialogue. Yet consider; fire evaporates water and causes it to vanish, but water extinguishes fire. In the end both are gone! But both are needed, and so fire must exist with water, and water with fire, if the world is to survive.

Dr. Stanley J. Revich
Toronto, Ontario

ask the rabbi

No burning of incense during prayers

1. Why do Jews not burn incense during prayers as it is the custom with other faiths? We are told that "sweet savors" are particularly acceptable to God.

RESPONSE:

There is a well-known rabbinic comment, seeking to avoid the anthropomorphism, that the "sweet savors" referred to in connection with the sacrifices is the satisfaction which God, as it were, receives when His creatures do his bidding. In the temple incense was burned. The medieval commentators understand the command to burn incense in the temple as being for man's sake not for God's. The fragrance of the incense helped to promote suitable feelings of elevation and spirituality among those who assembled in the holy place.

We can only guess why the practice of burning incense was not followed in the synagogue. In all probability it was both because of the specially sacred nature of worship in the temple, so that any imitation outside the temple was avoided, and because it resembled so strongly the practice of the Church. However, it is not unknown among some Chassidim to smoke perfumed cigarettes before prayers in the stiebl and this is referred to as "ketoret" the biblical word for incense.

Unwarranted potpourri of invective...

Arab attack on moderator angers BB official

Dear Editor:

The attack by the president of the Arab-Palestinian Association on the moderator of the United Church, which appeared in **The Toronto Star** on May 11, 1973 was an unwarranted potpourri of invective, inaccuracy and ignorance--the very things the United Church and B'nai B'rith agreed to set aside in their efforts to seek a better understanding of each other. President Gassan would be better to take a page from the United Church-B'nai B'rith book and seek some positive communication and inter-relationship with the victims of his attack.

President Gassan says the United Church has succumbed to Zionist pressure and blackmail and I challenge him to produce one shred of evidence to confirm or corroborate his emotional outburst. I predict he will be unable to do so for the simple reason that the statement is untrue.

B'nai B'rith used neither pressure nor blackmail with the United Church. Both sides took the position

Morley S. Wolfe

intelligent discussion was far more effective in reaching an understanding than was acrimony and isolation. We hope their future relationship justifies their faith.

For President Gassan to say the moderator leads his church away from truth and into moral turpitude is as unfair as it is vicious. To say the peace pact entered into by the United Church and B'nai B'rith was "at the expense of three million Palestinian Arab lives" is not only incredible but a singularly one-sided view. Such a statement is as absurd as the president's claim the Zionists believe any criticism of the state of Israel is an attack on Jews everywhere regardless of their nationality.

We point out one statement from the letter signed jointly by the United Church and B'nai B'rith: "We seek to ameliorate our relationship and perceive the future unfettered by intolerance, prejudice or rancor, with common goals directed towards the betterment of the society in which we live."

Surely there is nothing wrong in this! Shalom... President Gassan... Shalom.

Morley S. Wolfe
President
Toronto Regional Council of B'nai B'rith

Israelis mourn dead in different ways, but still follow old edict of simplicity

By NECHEMIA MEYERS
CJN Israel Correspondent

TEL AVIV –

The contrast I saw this week at the Tel Aviv cemetery could hardly have been more extreme: to the right, a funeral party moved forward slowly towards a graveside, proceeding silently and solemnly; to the left, another funeral party made its way, undulating from side to side, its participants tearing at their clothes and wailing.

As I soon discovered, the quiet mourners were paying their last respects to a Berlin-born chemistry professor; the men and women giving such strident voice to their grief were bidding farewell to a Casablanca-born tractor driver.

Each community of Jews in Israel mourns its dead in its own distinct way, though in one respect Israeli funerals are reasonably uniform; they are almost always modest. No one goes into debt at the behest of a well-organized, well-advertised funeral industry. Israeli Jews – as distinct from Jews in many other countries – are still guided by the edict laid down in the First Century B.C.E. by Gamliel the Elder, a scholar frequently quoted in the Talmud, who decreed that funerals must be simple and devoid of ostentation.

Except when a body is mutulated or brought from overseas, there is seldom even a coffin. The corpse, wrapped in cotton or linen shrouds, is carried on a stretcher, under a black sheet, to its final resting place. Boards or cinder blocks are placed around the body, more of them in the Coastal Plain than in Jerusalem, where the soil itself is holy and the deceased is cleansed of his sins by direct contact with it.

The very Orthodox even abjure flowers. Other Israelis, however, have adopted what was once regarded as a Gentile custom. Thus as official funerals, military or civilian, wreaths are usually placed on the fresh graves.

Cremation remains taboo because, according to Jewish law, the body of the deceased is sacred and must not be desecrated in any way, be it by flame or even by an autopsy. It is for this reason that local medical schools have some difficulty obtaining cadavers for teaching purposes.

In keeping with Jewish custom, burial is swift. Unless a close relative is due to arrive from abroad, the funeral takes place the next day. In Jerusalem every attempt is made to bury the dead on the day of their death or the same night (only in the Holy City are funerals held after sunset).

Burial arrangements are entrusted to a municipal "hevra kadisha" (literally sacred society), of which there are several, organized according to countries of origin, in most cities. At one time only the very pious and learned were entrusted with cleansing and burying the dead, which they did without compensation. But in contemporary Israel members of a "hevra kadisha" are simply civil servants, employees of local religious councils.

Each "hevra kadisha" has its own burying ground, either an entire cemetery or part of one. Social distinctions, and money, can influence the location of a burial plot, more favored people receiving a large one along the main path rather than a small one off in a distant corner. The wealthy and famous are also likely to have larger and more ornate tombstones than humble folk. The clearest distinction after death is evident, however, not in the cemeteries but in the newspapers. When a man is distinguished and/or rich, his demise calls forth a flood of articles and expensive memorial notices, the latter sometimes taking up a full page or two of a leading daily. If, on the other hand, he is poor and unknown, he will pass on, as he lived, uncelebrated by the press.

In Kibbutz Ein Hamifranz near Acre, one of the favorite pastimes is sailing on the calm Mediterranean. (CJN Photo By Jacob El-baz)

Oil Qaddafi's confidence

A geyser of crazy ideas

By MOSHE RON
CJN Israel Correspondent

JERUSALEM–

Crazy Libyan leader, Colonel Muammar Qaddafi always has new ideas. The vast revenue of thousands of millions of dollars in oil royalties has given him confidence to increase his demands. He is no longer satisfied with his former ambition of becoming the leader of the Arab world.

He also wishes to become leader of Africa and even more than that. He supports the Irish rebels against England, the Negroes in the USA and South Africa, Rhodesia, the Portugese Colonies and even the Moslems in the Philippines. With the support of his 2,000,000 Libyans, most of whom are illiterate, he interferes in the internal politics of Malta, Cyprus and other countries.

Qaddafi likes to address himself to the masses. A few days ago, in a hysterical speech he told the Libyan people that the state is theirs and he is ready to resign. The crowd shouted "no, no." Qaddafi described the difficult internal situation in Libya and the lack of experts and technicians to manage the affairs of the country. There are only a few skilled and professional people, and the Libyan army is incapable of fighting under modern conditions.

Qaddafi warned that the Libyan army was not capable of safeguarding the Libyan frontiers, Libya lacks industrial experts, physicians, etc. and has had to import skilled workers from other Arab countries. The Libyan people apparently do not like work. When they are compelled to do so, they complain that such measures are in contradiction of democracy and personal freedom.

Qaddafi began his cultural revolution, stating that he would ruthlessly annihilate the Moslem Brotherhood, who were trying to sabotage his regime. Anyone trying to introduce the East or West as examples in Libya, would be arrested. Popular committees would be established all over the country, which would be responsible for the burning of books and films in bookshops, libraries, universities and cinemas, bearing any relationship to Communists and reactionaries.

Referring to the forthcoming union of Egypt and Libya, Qaddafi revealed that the union was facing difficulties which could bring about civil war in Libya. He was sure that the union would be established. Also the question of the struggle against Israel is the source of differences between Libya, Egypt and Syria.

Qaddafi has attacked the Palestinian terrorists severely, saying they mostly talk and boast in their radio stations, but do not act.

When the Palestinian terrorists rejected Qaddafi's accusations, he let them know that he would stop financial aid to them, if they would continue attacking him. Qaddafi proposed a plan which would annul all reactionary laws, purging unreliable political elements, burning damaging Communist and capitalist literature and dealing severely with anyone opposing these steps. He threatened that if his program were not accepted, he would retire from political life.

Malta flexes its political muscles to get more important position in world affairs

LONDON(JCNS)–
By ARTHUR LEAVER

To understand better the meaning of Maltese Premier Dom Mintoff's visits to Western capitals, one has to examine the aims and policies of the Malta Labour Party in government.

In the past two years the Labour government has aimed at striking a new path in foreign policy without NATO connections, but keeping its European links and at the same time developing healthy relations not only with neighboring North African countries, but also with Communist block nations and the new world power of China.

A strengthening of Malta's cordial relations with Libya, previously her best trade customer, occurred at the height of the prolonged crisis with Britain over the revision of the defence and financial agreement, a crisis which was solved only thanks to the intervention of Italy and other NATO countries during a period when Malta was practically alone.

It was Libya's President Qaddafi who then stood firmly by Malta. Since that time Libya has become one of Malta's closest friends and relations are being extended also to trade, education, culture and communications.

In the past few years the Mediterranean political scene has changed considerably because the Arab-Israeli conflict is still unsolved and highly inflammable.

This cauldron-like atmosphere has had the effect of creating a re-awakening among Mediterranean countries of a desire for a permanent stability to remove the struggle for domination of this area by foreign forces, be they American or Russian.

Concurrently with this state of affairs has come the emergence of a dominating country in North Africa where Libya, led by Qaddafi and backed by the vast wealth of oil resources, is the rising star of the Black continent.

It is clear that Malta, the centre of military strategy in the Mediterranean for centuries past, seems to be ideally deployed to play an even more important role in this sensitive zone. By virtue of its excellent position it can become the bridge of contact and dialogue between Europe and Africa.

Because of the confidence which Mintoff enjoys with Libya as well as his excellent relations with Algeria, Tunisia and Egypt on the one hand, and by virtue of the ethnic connections which bind the country to Europe on the other, Malta seems to be destined to forge a bridgehead between Europe and Africa.

It is in the light of the above that one has to keep in proper perspective the recent visits which the Maltese prime minister has paid to Northern Europe and Africa. In the course of his visits to Rome, Brussels, Paris and London, Mintoff has sought to achieve economic support and co-operation.

The visits to Cairo and Libya were undertaken to study means of strengthening the European initiative towards creating a new atmosphere between Israel and the Arab countries with a view to a peace settlement. The Maltese delegation also probed the implications for Malta of the imminent union between Egypt and Libya.

Efforts were made to initiate cultural, economic and trade co-operation between Egypt and Malta. Even in so short a visit it was possible to have a trade agreement signed with Egypt. In Libya the latest developments in the Mediterranean were also discussed and ways considered to expedite economic co-operation between the two countries.

Meanwhile, Malta's voice continues to be heard at Strasbourg and in Brussels. It has initiated relations with North Africa and countries as far away as China are lending a hand both economically and financially.

It now looks ahead and could play a more important role in Mediterranean affairs and helping, for instance, to establish peace between the Arabs and Israel.

Prime Minister Meir takes part in her granddaughter's wedding in Kibbutz Revivim in the Negev. Bridegroom Eliahu Zucker immigrated from the U.S. four years ago. The bride, Naomi, is 20. Her husband is currently serving in Israel's army.

Fiery spirit burns eternally in Cracow

By HORACE BROWN

An anguished reader, signing himself or herself "One of the victims of K.Z. Plaszow--Cracow" wrote me about my articles on Cracow.

"These articles don't tell all the truth and horror practiced in K.Z. Plaszow, suburb of Cracow," the letter read in part. "...what you are publishing is too wan to compare with the truth."

While sympathizing deeply with my reader, I can only point out it's not the horror I view; it's the marvels of the human spirit I contemplate with an ever-increasing wonder. Since Sam Immergluck loaned me his **Memorial Journal in Honor of the Jews from Cracow**, issued by the New Cracow Friendship Society in New York, I have returned again and again to this book--not to read the morbid details, but to see again the stark prose, the simplicity of the matter-of-fact writing that tells without embellishment, an appalling story of human brutality and an inspiring account of human nobility and sacrifice.

Then I look at the pictures--the young, the old--who died in concentration camps. I linger over those young faces, which are no more, but whose owners fought one of the greatest war machines of all time with crude weapons, sharp wits, and a courage beyond understanding.

What could have possessed young Jews to do the incredible and the impossible, before the inevitable discovery and death? Was it that almost 6,000 years of tradition suddenly coalesced in their fierce determination to strike back – Davids who could not possibly conquer the Goliaths but were willing to die trying? I look at their faces and, while sad, I am also glad, they lived to strike a blow, that theirs are the same kinds of faces I see in the photographs from modern-day Israel.

As the memorial volume puts it: "From a perspective of 25 years, a searing question probes our minds: from what unknown hidden sources did the handful of Jewish youth delve into their spiritual strength to resist, with practically bare hands, the Nazi oppressor at the height of his military might?"

There are five other in memoriam pages to leaders of the resistance, all young, all dead. There's Hilel Wodzislawski, last leader of the resistance. There's one who must have been beautiful, Gusta Dawidson-Draenger, with the code name of "Justyna." How old was Natan Pariser (Nusek)? Fifteen? The bright eyes and vibrant personality of Cesia Draenger practically leap out of the page at you. I wish I had the space to list all the heroes and heroines, but there is one page I cannot forget. It is titled: "Five of the Seven Who Went to the Forest." And there are two blanks for "no known photo exists" of Kanal Salo (Adas) and Juda Schmerlowicz (Ignas). Surely they live in the hearts of someone somewhere.

"They were four men," said the book, "and they had two revolvers between them. That was their armed equipment. When their food supplies began to dwindle, two of them would go into the village (from the Forest). One of these expeditions ended in tragedy. Benek Weksner and Idek Szmerlowich were surprised by two policemen accompanied by a forestier. Benek, who succeeded in pulling his revolver out of his boot, shot the two policemen; if Idek had had another revolver, he could have killed the armed forestier. But the other revolver was left with their comrades in the forest. Both young fighters were killed. Their comrades in the forest waited for them all night long. Finally, they found what had happened. They had to notify the command. They returned to Cracow. They paid dearly with the lives of their friends for their inexperience. From then on they knew that whoever goes into battle must have his own arms."

Or this uncompromising paragraph from the resistance in Cracow:

"On December 24, 1942, the apartment of Dolek Liebenskind was surrounded. At that time Idek Tenenbaum was also there. They defended themselves and Dolek succeeded in killing two Germans and wounding a few others. Idek also killed one. But their situation was hopeless. Following previous decisions, Dolek shot first Idek to death and them committed suicide. They were not taken alive by the enemy."

The memorial may be written in dry-as-dust terms, but it pulses with the true heroism of those who fought on when there was no hope and no chance of hope.

So you see, dear reader, the horror is there. What can be more horrible than 60,000 innocent Jews died by torture, gun, and gas from the ghetto of Cracow?

But there is also the glory.

As the memorial puts it so very well: "... but the bush has not been consumed..."

Munich scene of jubilation

Creation of Israel testimony to world

By J.B. SALSBERG

What I am about to describe happened 25 1/2 years ago. In retrospect it has an element of unreality about it. Yet happen it did and it was my treasured privilege to be part of that exhilarating experience. History provides few such dramatic occasions.

It was in Munich, Germany, the city that gave birth to Hitler's accursed Nazi party, and it was the last days of November, in the year 1947. The Hitler Reich, which was to have endured for a thousand years, was in ruins. The ashes of the countless Jewish martyrs that were burnt in Hitler's crematoria were still warm and the mass graves of our Jewish millions were still heaving. The surviving remnant of our once glorious multitude was brought together into refugee camps in Germany and elsewhere. There they were readied for the final evacuation from German soil.

While some left for unification with their kin in many lands the great majority prepared for Aliyah - ascending – to the Land of Israel. In New York the post-war hope of mankind, the United Nations, was discussing the future of Palestine but in the meantime our survivors streamed – as illegal immigrants – to the shores of their ancestral home.

As the UN discussion drew towards a climax the tension in the camps grew to an unbearable degree. Finally the hoped-for news arrived: On the 29th of November, 1947, the UN, by a vote of 33 for, 13 against and 10 abstentions, decided to partition Palestine into two states – one of which was to be an independent Jewish state.

This news was greeted with indescribable ecstasy. Tears of joy mixed with tears of bitter personal regret that one's dearest did not survive to share this moment of national and personal triumph. Everyone embraced everyone, all exchanged Mazel Tovs, L'chaims were extended on all sides and spontaneous celebrations were held wherever our groups – large or small – were located.

But nowhere was the jubilation more apparent than in Munich, the chief administrative centre for everything Jewish in post-Hitler Germany, and within easy reach of the main refugee camps. Doubts about the viability of the tiny area that was to become the Jewish state were set aside for the moment. It was enough that the Jewish state was about to be established, that the blue-and-white flag with the Star of David was to become official and that a Jewish government, the first in two thousand years, was to open all doors to the survivors.

The Jewish leadership in Munich decided to mark the occasion in an official and befitting manner and one of the few undestroyed concert halls in that city was acquired for the celebration. The house was, of course, filled to capacity and overflowed and I was privileged with a seat on the platform.

What happened at that historic assembly? I remember not a single detail. It was as if my mind failed to register most of what unfolded within the crowded walls. All I could see from my platform seat and all that did imprint on my consciousness were the faces and, more especially, the changing moods of the eyes of the assembled. Speaker after speaker rose to say his piece but neither their appearances, their names, or what they said penetrated my brain. I recall the high ranking Jewish Chief Chaplain of the U.S. army of occupation who spoke – but only because of the uniform he wore.

I saw the crowd in front of me rise and sing; was it the Hatikvah, which was soon to become the official anthem of the new Jewish state? I saw them rise again and, this time, with tears in their eyes; was it for the traditional memorial of the dead? I saw them rise and cheer; was it for the national rebirth that was in the offing?

Throughout that emotion-charged evening I felt as if the spirits of the six million victims of the Holocaust had all assembled in that auditorium – there and not at the celebrations in New York or Tel Aviv, Toronto or Paris, London or Buenos Aires – there to be with their survivors, their heirs, in the midst of the ruins of the Third Reich and in the shadow of Hitler's shattered Nazi party buildings around Munich's "brown circle," there to join the living in the testimonial to the world that "we are here!" The spirits of the six million were there too.

And the first Yom Ha'atzmaut was only six months away.

Organizations and People

what's new . . .

by Miriam Herman

KUDOS FOR SHALOM

The Zionist Organization of Canada's TV program, **Shalom**, received an honorable mention citation at the recent Canadian Cable TV Association convention - the only ethnic show to be so-recognized, according to William Crampton, general manager of Productions 77 Ltd., which is in charge of the show's technical production at Metro Cable.

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Eighteen Grade 9 graduates of the junior high school department of United Synagogue Day School will receive their diplomas at commencement exercises Monday, June 11 at 8:15 p.m. in the Beth Tzedec youth chapel. They will participate in an original cantata about Jewish and general events of the past 10 years. Also participating in the ceremonies - Mark Perlmutter, school president and chairman of its board of directors; Dr. Lou Myers, education committee chairman; and Dr. Aaron Nussbaum, school principal.

HELP!

The Toronto Student Council for Soviet Jews plans to continue its activities throughout the summer months. Manpower is needed to make phone calls, to U.S.S.R., write articles for newspapers and their own publication, design posters and plan the Simchat Torah rally. If you have talent to spare, contact the TSCSJ office at York University.

NEW LAW COURSE

A first in Israel - A course in trial practice for fourth year students at the Yaacov Herzog Law School at Bar-Ilan University. The course will be given in two-hour weekly sessions by experienced trial lawyers. It will take the form of a moot court followed by discussion and summary.

TEA, ART AND FASHIONS

Beth Tikvah Sisterhood's dessert luncheon Tuesday, June 12, is to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schaeffer, Seincliffe Rd., Thornhill, from 1 - 4 p.m. On view - a collection of Canadian art (Canadian artist A.J. Casson of the Group of Seven will be there in person) and fashion showings at 1:30 and 2:45 p.m. Proceeds are for Soviet and Syrian Jewry plus other sisterhood projects.

THRIFTY BAZAAR

Boutiques, nearly-new clothing, home baking, jewelry and just about everything else will be found at Thrifty Bazaar being held by the National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto section, Sunday, June 10, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the council office on north Bathurst Street. There will be lots of door prizes, too. And best of all, admission is free. Funds raised go to services to the geriatric groups through Creative Living and Meals on Wheels.

ORT LUNCHEON

Annual meeting time for Toronto Women's ORT is Tuesday, June 12. The closing luncheon is called for 12:30 p.m. at the Bayview Golf and Country Club.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Simcha Genossar, the representative of the Jewish Agency in Ontario, was guest speaker at the Israel 25th anniversary celebration put on by the Stashiver Society of Toronto recently.

LIBRARY IN ISRAEL

The Harry Arbella Memorial Library in the Betar Students' Home, Old City, Jerusalem, will have its official opening this summer. It will take place in July during the Zionist Revisionist Organization of Canada's Israel tour so that tour participants can join the Arbella family in the ceremony. The library is a project of the Johanna Jabotinsky chapter of Herut Women in Toronto.

Rabbi Michael Stroh

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Sunday, June 17, the membership committee of Temple Har Zion in Willowdale, is having a general information meeting designed for prospective members. Their rabbi, Michael Stroh, will be speaking on the purposes of the synagogue. The meeting takes place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bernstein, 22 McNicoll Ave., Willowdale, at 8:30 p.m.

Reform school selects administrator

TORONTO -

David Steinhauer, 65, a well-known educator in both secular and Jewish education, has been appointed executive administrator of the Reform day school to open here in the fall of 1974.

Steinhauer, of Weston, recently retired as co-ordinator of the French language program of Ontario schools, has had experience as a teacher, administrator, curriculum designer and educational planner.

The new school, believed to be the first of its kind in Canada, has been named after Leo Baeck, the famous liberal rabbi, who would be celebrating his 100th birthday if he were still alive. During the Second World War Rabbi Baeck refused to leave Nazi Germany, remaining with his congregants until his internment in a concentration camp.

David Steinhauer

A meeting of the school's steering committee chose Temple Emanu-El as the site for the first two years of operation because of its excellent indoor facilities, as well as six acres of outdoor land which will provide a natural play area and a setting for teaching subjects related to the outdoors.

Bus service or the equivalent will probably be provided and tuition and financial assistance will be similar to policies of other Jewish day schools, it was decided. A non-profit corporation has been set up for the administration of the institution.

A founding board of directors was selected. They are: Leonard Banks, tuition and admissions policy committee chairman; Arthur Benjamin, curriculum committee chairman; Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld; Joyce Epstein; Philip Epstein, counsel; Rabbi Stephen Franklin; Dr. Martin Gelfand, corresponding secretary; Joan Gitelman, recording secretary; Dr. Jack Levine, chairman; Paula Levine; Alan Offman, finance committee chairman; Rabbi Jordan Pearlson, religious orientation committee chairman, Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, organizational affiliations committee chairman; Herbert Solway, fund-raising committee chairman; Rabbi Michael Stroh; and Fred Zemans.

A public meeting, chaired by Murray B. Koffler, will be held at 8 p.m., June 13 at Temple Emanu-El to explain the organization, philosophy and direction of the new school.

Explain family assistance program to U.S. communal service conference

PHILADELPHIA -

The Jewish Family and Child Service of Metropolitan Toronto is one of the few Jewish agencies in North America with a major ongoing financial assistance program, the National Conference of Jewish Communal Service was told here last week by Shelly Pearlman, group supervisor of the JFCS.

Pearlman reported that in 1972 JFCS dispersed $311,087 to help meet the needs of 546 cases. The program is funded by the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto.

He said clients represent a wide cross-section of the general Jewish community both in terms of cultural background and socio-economic standing. He pinpointed the four main groups who constitute the bulk of the financial assistance caseloads as: the elderly, the working poor, single parent families, and the middle class family that can cope with day-to-day pressures but can't cope with family disasters.

Pearlman said the basic premise of the financial assistance program is a belief that "people have a right to sufficient resources to satisfy their basic needs as human beings and to free them as much as possible to expend their energies in attempting to enhance their lives. Too often they dissipate these energies in a daily struggle to survive."

Goal of the agency is not to prolong dependency. Rather, money and the therapeutic relationship built around the granting of assistance "are the tools to free the client from a state of dependency to that of self-sufficiency to the fullest extent possible."

Pearlman told the conference that caseworkers often encounter families and individuals whose potential for growth, change and adaptation is neutralized by the constant demands of "a hostile, unreliable and anxiety-producing environment." He said children inherit this view of the world around them and the apathy, isolation, dependency and ultimate waste of human potential is passed on from one generation to the next.

"By offering people the opportunity to break out of this cycle," he said, "we concurrently offer them the right and responsibility to assume greater control of their lives by providing relief from some of their basic survival concerns."

Pearlman said the need for financial assistance indicates the inadequacy of public assistance programs. "In some cases," he said, "we are matching or giving more than the public programs to help clients maintain themselves."

Although Ontario government programs are comprehensive, he continued, "vital gaps still remain that result in hardships and deprivation." These gaps include provision for an extensive dental care program, support for post-secondary school students after age 18, support for immigrants whose sponsorship has terminated and assistance to the working poor.

The financial assistance program is a source of supplementary funds for clients rather than an alternative to other existing sources of assistance, Pearlman emphasized. During the intake process, there is a mutual exploration between caseworker and client of all familial, public and community resources. This often involves the caseworker in helping to identify resources and acting as an advocate should problems of eligibility arise.

Aronoff appointed

TORONTO -

J. A. Lyone Heppner of Montreal, national chairman of Canadian ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation through Training), has announced the appointment of Seymour Aronoff as chairman of the Toronto Men's ORT.

ORT, which has been in existence for more than 90 years, sums up its program in its motto: "If you give a man a fish, he eats for a day; if you teach him how to fish, he eats for all his days," and ORT's only function is the vocational and technical education or re-education of students - ages 10 to 60 - in developed and developing countries.

In announcing that a drive for new members will take place very shortly in Toronto and surrounding communities, Aronoff said: "There is no organization more worthy of our total moral commitment and financial support."

. . . about people

Dr. Maurice Heller

Dr. Maurice Heller and family have left the northern clime of Toronto for sunny St. Petersburg, Florida, where he has accepted an appointment as cardiologist for the U.S. government there. He writes that by comparison to the hectic pace of private practice here, his present job is equivalent to semi-retirement. Incidentally, Dr. Heller was the first Jewish cardiologist to be appointed governor for the American College of Cardiology, and was at one time chief of the medical department of Northwestern General Hospital.

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The results of the first Canadian National Bible contest are in and there are a lot of happy winners - **Sheldon Goldhar**, Associated Hebrew Schools, topped the advanced Hebrew seniors division for students in grade 9 and up, with **Noach Witty** of Ner Israel Yeshiva College and **Dvora Weinberg** of Eitz Chaim in 2nd and 3rd place. In the advanced Hebrew juniors (grades 6 - 8) Associated Hebrew School students **Leonard Warner** and **Hart Cohen** shared first spot followed by **Steven Varkony** of Montreal's Bialik High School and **Orah Tragger** of Joseph Wilinsky Collegiate, Winnipeg. The Comprehensive English division was won by **Gerald Zeit**, Temple Sinai and **Joel Myerson**, Beth Am High School, in that order. The contest was hosted in Toronto by the Board of Jewish Education in co-operation with the Federated Zionist Organization of Canada.

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From here on in B'nai B'rith executive vice-president **Herbert Levy** can talk about "my daughter the doctor." He was in New Haven, Conn., earlier this week to see his daughter **Linda Levy Peck**, receive her Ph.D from Yale Graduate School. She majored in Tudor-Stuart history (her thesis was on **Corruption in the Court of King James**), 19th and 20th century intellectual history and American constitutional law and she spent a year doing research at University of London, England.

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All in the family, you might say - Toronto photographer **Al Gilbert**, was awarded the trophy for the best color portrait print at the annual professional photographers convention held at the University of Ottawa recently, as well as the 1973 President's Trophy for the highest aggregate points by a competitor. He won, for the first time, the Nina Gilbert Memorial Award which was donated 25 years ago by his father **Nathan Gilbert**, in memory of his wife. And to add to that, his 23 yr. old son **Michael Gilbert**, won the trophy for the best architectural photograph of Ontario Place.

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If you have any complaints about Casa Loma, you can send them on to Ray **Sadowski** - he's just been made president of the Toronto West Kiwanis Club, which means that he is now responsible for maintaining the Toronto tourist attraction. By the way, he can be reached through Temple Sinai where he is an active member.

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One of the few and possibly the only Jewish race-car driver on the motor racing scene, South African **Jody Scheckter**, makes his first-time-ever appearance in Canada at the Labatt's Blue Can-Am at Mosport this weekend.

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Rabbi and Mrs. Michael Morgan - he's presently studying at the University and serving as part-time rabbi at Temple Shalom in Kitchener - are going to England for a year where the rabbi will further his studies at Oxford University.

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Presidentially speaking . . . Toronto businessman **Mark Gross** was re-elected for a second year as president of Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue.

Lawyer **Louis Burke** is the new president of Beth Sholom Synagogue while his brother-in-law **Mendel Green**, also an attorney, heads up the brotherhood there.

Tillie Margolis was installed as president of the Toronto Council of Pioneer Women at their donor dinner held recently at Beth Tzedec in celebration of Israel's 25th anniversary.

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Carl Alpert (left) vice-chairman of the Technion board of governors, explains the plans of the "D. Lou Harris Canadian Dormitory" to Mr. and Mrs. Max Sharp. The project will provide housing for some 600 students at the Technion in Israel. The Sharp's have donated $100,000 to the project.

Max and Lena Sharp

$100,000 donated for dormitory

TORONTO -

A well-known Toronto businessman and his wife have donated $100,000 to the "D. Lou Harris Canadian Dormitory" building campaign, it was announced recently by Louis L. Lockshin national president of the Canadian Technion Society.

In recognition of their gift, Max and Lena Sharp will have the dormitory's student lounge and cafeteria named in their honor.

Born in the city of Oswiencim, Poland, which later became the site of the Auschwitz death camp, Sharp emigrated to Palestine at the age of 18. He first became acquainted with the Technion several years later, working with a small team of construction artisans to finish its building which had been interrupted by the First World War.

Sharp then left Hadar Hacarmel to join his brother in Toronto where he continued in the building trade and met and married his wife, the former Lena Godfrid.

Today the father of four and grandfather of 19 is chairman of Four Seasons Hotels Ltd. which owns and operates the Four Seasons Hotel on Jarvis Street, the Four Seasons Sheraton across from Toronto City Hall, the Four Seasons in Natanya, the Inn on the Park on Eglinton East and the Inn on the Park in London, England.

The Natanya Four Seasons, built on the site where the only bomb was dropped during the Six Day War, was the first business venture launched in Israel after that war.

Sharp said at the time: "I feel this is my way of repaying my debt to the country where I spent my youth. I am realizing a dream by creating something meaningful for the state of Israel."

Both Mr. and Mrs. Sharp are currently active in Shaarei Shomayim Congregation and a number of organizations. They are especially proud of the Max and Lena Sharp Scholarship Foundation - the income from which goes to students at the Technion, Hebrew University, Weizmann Institute and local universities.

Nursery School director Thelma Murray dies at 60

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON -

Thelma Murray, director of Hamilton's Jewish Community Centre nursery school, died suddenly last week at Hamilton's General Hospital. She was 60.

Director of the school since 1966, Mrs. Murray had been on the nursery school staff for more than 20 years.

"Her original children are now sending their children," Sam Brownstone, director of the community centre, said.

Paying tribute to Mrs. Murray, Brownstone said she was an exceptional person, "the kind you just cannot replace."

More than 1,000 youngsters have passed through Mrs. Murray's hands. She was very much attached to her work and especially devoted to the training and teaching of handicapped children. She was particularly successful in the teaching of blind children, who were often recommended to the nursery by the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

Mrs. Murray was a former executive member of the Association for Early Childhood Education, Hamilton branch, and although not Jewish herself, a member of the Association of Jewish Community Workers.

Mrs. Murray is survived by her husband, Howard, a son, two daughters and six grandchildren.

Elementary department principal to be honored on her retirement

TORONTO -

Mrs. Jennie C. Snider, general studies principal of the elementary department, Associated Hebrew Day School, will be honored upon retirement at the annual dinner of the Associated Hebrew Schools, on Thursday, June 14th it was announced by Mrs. Balfoura Gordon, dinner chairman.

Having served as principal for over 30 years at the Associated Day School, the first Jewish Day School established in Toronto, Mrs. Snider is retiring at the end of the current academic year.

Guest speaker at the dinner will be Dr. Norman Lamm, Rabbi of the Jewish Centre in New York City and professor of Jewish philosophy at Yeshiva University. Dr. Lamm is author of a number of works dealing with Jewish theological, philosophical and current problems.

Mrs. Jennie C. Snider

Dr. Norman Lamm

His articles have appeared in a variety of Hebrew and English journals, and have been translated into several languages. Some of them have been cited by the Supreme Court of the United States for authoritative interpretation of Jewish law. Rabbi Lamm has travelled widely lecturing especially on behalf of Jewish Education.

Founder of the magazine **Tradition**, Dr. Lamm is a member of many prominent bodies including the Halacha commission of the Rabbinical Council of America, and former chairman of the New York Conference on Soviet Jewry.

Also participating will be H. L. Dessen, chairman, Board of Education, past president Joseph Levine, Rabbi Dr. David Monson, on the 25th anniversary of Israel, Rabbi Irwin E. Witty, executive director, Board of Jewish Education, David E. Newman, Rabbi Henry Hoschander, and Wilferd Gordon, past president of Associated.

Greetings will be extended by Phil Granovsky, president of the United Jewish Welfare Fund.

Toronto is downgraded

TORONTO-

Montreal has done more to help and guide the 15,000 Sephardic Jews living there than Toronto has done to aid its 3,500 Sephardic Jews, according to Sydney Bendahan, president of the Toronto Sephardic Association and president of Mogen David Congregation.

Bendahan explained to a luncheon meeting of the 22nd Regional Conference of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region, that the arrival of Sephardic Jews in Montreal was eased by the fact that most of them speak French and "this helps the political situation there."

The only group in Toronto that received praise from Bendahan for their aid was the Farband Labour Zionists. He also singled out the late Rabbi Shlomo Langer who not only opened his house to those who have been coming to Canada since 1957, but who also aided the Toronto Sephardic community in obtaining their first Sefer Torah.

As for the rest of Toronto, the process for newcomers is "to first come to meetings and listen, then give money, but to be very seldom asked to aid in the community," Bendahan said. He went on to warn the assemblage not to make the mistake that it was made in Israel "where a North African Jew is immediately treated as a second-class citizen."

In responding to Bendahan's informative speech on the history of Moroccan Jews and the present plight of all Syrian Jews, Gerda Frieberg, the conference chairman, noted: "You are only a stranger if you wish to remain a stranger. It is a two-way street. You have to make your prescence known and we invite you to do so."

The afternoon was divided into two sessions, one dealing with **World Jewry** and the other with **Community relations - current themes.**

Alan Rose, associate director of the Canadian Jewish Congress, gave an outline of the situation of Jews in hot-spots of the world. He noted the growing awareness of Judaism among Russian Jews. He referred to the philosopher Jean Paul Sartre who pointed out that the cause of Soviet Jewry is a claim on the conscience of all mankind. An example of this, Rose went on to say, was seen when the whole country of Sweden went on a one-hour strike in sympathy for Soviet Jewry when a Russian dignitary arrived there.

"The Soviet Union is enormously vulnerable to criticism," said Rose.

He also noted the problems of Jews in Iraq and Syria. As well, he discussed the potential future problems of the 36,000 Moroccan Jews, if King Hassan is killed, and the uncertainty of the Argentine situation.

The last session dealing with the Toronto community mainly centred around a discussion of attempts to convert Jewish youth. Both Robert Binder, assistant rabbi of Adath Israel, and David Sadowski, director of youth services of the Canadian Jewish Congress, noted missionaries know little about Judaism but Jewish youth know even less and are therefore unable to argue effectively.

Sadowski pointed out that the problem is not solely one involving youth. He explained there are study groups where Jewish adults study the New Testament on a regular basis.

Correction

In a June 1 story headlined "Lubavitch Chassidic Song Festival Moves to Massey Hall," Rabbi Immanuel Schochet was identified as executive director of the Lubavitch movement. That was incorrect. It should have read Rabbi David Schochet.

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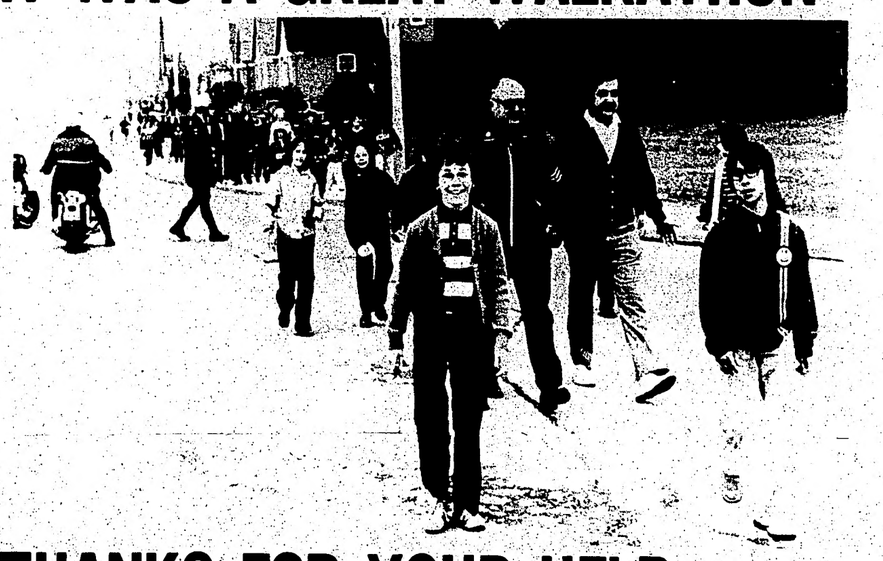

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Our sincerest thanks to the people behind the scenes – the 250 volunteers who manned the checkpoints, stamped the passports, directed traffic, distributed the goodies and generally put in a long, hard day's work to make certain the walk went off smoothly. There couldn't have been a walkathon without them!

A word of grateful appreciation to the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto, the City of Toronto, the Metro police department and the media (The Canadian Jewish News, the daily press, the radio and television stations) for their generous co-operation.

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Noted author claims future of Judaism lies in converting world

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO –

"The future of Judaism is to convert the world. It is an extraordinary thing that twice before in history the Jews have allowed outsiders to run away with their religion (Christianity and Islam), and spread it over the world . . . does not the real future of Jews and Judaism lie in spreading Judaism, in its authentic form, over the whole world?"

This controversial look at the future of Judaism, vis-a-vis the world at large, was conceived by the historian Arnold Toynbee and quoted by renowned author Max I. Dimont in a speech at Beth Tzedec Congregation to the Toronto chapter of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

After an hilarious 15 minute introduction, where Dimont gave the history of his family members - who were steeped in obscurity - he got down to the serious business of explaining his thesis concerning the credibility of the Jews.

The author who wrote **Jews, God and History**, and **The Indestructible Jews**, views Jewish history as a manifest drama of three acts. Act I from Abraham to Jesus is almost like a Greek predestination drama with God as the director. Act II from Jesus to Ben Gurion is like a French existentialist drama with the Jews directing. In the first act there was just an Eretz Yisrael. In the second act there was just a Diaspora.

Dimont elaborated on the third act – the present. Here, he noted, there is both a Diaspora and a homeland. He dismissed the erroneous idea that now that there is a homeland, there is no need for a Diaspora. He stressed these points: if there had not been a Diaspora in the past, the Jews would have become an extinct people like others who died out, within the confines of their own boundaries.

Israel must continue to cultivate the Diaspora. Each part must nurture the other.

The world needs, not only the Jewish state of Israel but the Jewish Diaspora because Judaism may now be performing an essential function.

He explained that the world is becoming "Diasporized". The space age concepts go beyond national interest. In other words, "the world is becoming one vast Diaspora of mankind. The Jewish Diaspora has already started a pattern."

At one point Dimont queried, "Is it possible that Christianity and Islam were Jewish stepping stones to a universal Diasporized Judaism?" He noted that as far back as the prophets and later with the intellectual Zionists, it was asserted that the salvation of Israel would be in becoming a universalist state.

He also pointed out to the captivated audience, which included the Toronto chapter president, Albert J. Latner, some of the accomplishments of Judaism through the Hebrew University. He noted how the Turks and Arabs were incredulous as they saw Jews pay for worthless land in 1914 to start a university.

He also noted how Canadian contributions were totally out of proportion to the numbers of people here. But this, he said, shows that the Bible is right. "We are our brothers' keeper. And for the sake of Jews, God and history, don't give up now."

Henry Rosenberg

Shamgar to speak at dinner

TORONTO –

Henry S. Rosenberg will serve as chairman of a June 20 dinner here commemorating the 75th birthday of Prime Minister Golda Meir. It is being held under the auspices of the National Honorary Societies of Israel, State of Israel Bonds.

The dinner will take place at the New Murray House. Israel Attorney - General Meir Shamgar, is making a special visit here to represent the prime minister at Toronto's gala celebration of her birthday.

Rosenberg, one of Toronto Jewry's foremost communal leaders, heads a special dinner committee comprising leading figures in the legal profession and the community, who are planning a number of special features to highlight the event.

Committee members include Philip E. Band, Norman Borins, Donald Carr, Ben Fish, Jack Friedman, Philip G. Givens, MPP; E.A. Goodman, Sydney Harris, Harvey Hecker, Joe Lebovic, David E. Newman, Montague Raisman, Sydney Robins, Phineas Schwartz, Theodore Sherman, Albert Shifrin, Henry Sussman, Louis Spencer and Nathan Strauss.

Author Max Dimont talking at Beth Tzedec Congregation took a controversial look at the future of Judaism in a speech to the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

Electronic equipment export vital to Israel's economy

By ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO –

Israel's economy is characterized by three main goals – to establish an understructure for defence, to build a basis for absorption of newcomers and to reach economic independence, David Golomb said in Toronto last week.

Son of Eliahu Golomb, legendary leader of the Haganah, Golomb is a former member of the Knesset and currently head of planning and development at Koor, Israel's largest industrial complex. Koor's science based industries division has been instrumental in developing Israel's technology and competitiveness in world markets.

Golomb's appearance at the Zionist Centre was arranged by Toronto Chug Aliyah and the Toronto Chapter of the Canadian Technion Society.

Referring to Israel's tremendous deficit in balance of payments, Golomb said the only solution is to increase industrial exports. "We can't curtail our imports," he said, "and due to the shortage of water and land our agricultural output is limited.

"The defence burden is a large handicap. In 1955 the pendulum reached the extreme in maintaining a balance of power with the armament race. The Six Day War brought about a dramatic change in defence spending from one billion Israeli pounds to six billion in two years, with 25% of the population employed in related industries," Golomb said.

Israel's economic future largely depends on increased technology and export of electronic equipment for industry, not in consumer goods, Golomb stressed. "We cannot compete with the United States' mass production or with Hong Kong's cheap labor."

Golomb said Israel must strive to build a highly modern economy in order to absorb and provide employment for the large number of college graduates and skilled technicians who are coming into the country from Russia which he estimates is from 50% to 85% of all immigrants from the Soviet Union.

He is presently touring the United States to learn more efficient marketing techniques which can be applied to Israel.

Committee 'disappointing'

By Thomas Schnurmacher

MONTREAL–

The most important challenge facing the consumer today is preventing the further unwarranted increase in food prices, according to Irene Lande, recently-elected board member on the Consumers' Association of Canada (Quebec).

"I was not overly impressed by the House of Commons ad hoc committee inquiry into food prices," she told The Canadian Jewish News. "I feel it did not delve as deeply or as honestly as it should have."

The CAC is a voluntary organization open to the public and its objective is to defend the consumer and to establish a liaison between the consumer, government, and business.

The organization's sole activity is to present the consumer's point of view, in the form of submitted briefs, to regulatory bodies at both the provincial and federal levels.

Mrs. Lande, a past campaign chairman of the Combined Jewish Appeal, and vice - president of the Women's Federation at Allied Jewish Community Services, explained her present interests in consumer affairs began with many of her activities at AJCS.

"We don't call it consumer affairs as such, but our organizations are interested in matters of concern to our senior citizens, such as lower bus fares. Our welfare services are concerned with the high cost of drugs."

Mrs. Hanna Lambeck, president of the Quebec chapter of the CAC, hopes more Jewish women would band together to form local consumer groups. She noted that as a result of her talks to Pioneer Women and the National Council of Jewish Women and B'nai B'rith, more women have joined the CAC.

The consumer affairs head explained the recent surge of interest in consumerism: "The marketplace is more complicated today. There was a time when the buyer knew as much about the item as the seller. These days, people are not experts and can be more easily deceived.

"Most consumers just don't want to get involved," she said. "They complain to their husbands or wives and let it go at that--it's just not enough."

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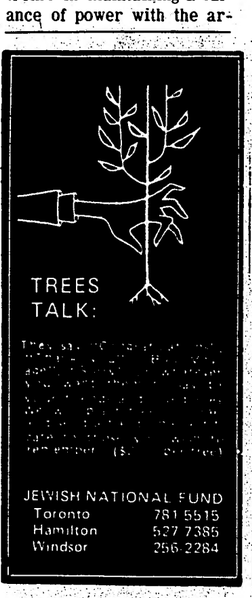

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Main thrust of the 1973 United Jewish Appeal-Israel Special Fund campaign is almost over, with synagogues in Toronto reporting increases of from 10% to 100% over last year.

Izy Stern, chairman of Synagogues and Organizations, says that this has been the most successful year ever for his division. For this he credits the tremendous time and effort put into the campaign by Mike Harris, who heads the synagogue division. Meetings and special functions were held throughout the winter and spring months – a factor which helped spur members to cover their prospects and increase their own contributions.

"In the synagogue division we reach the uncommitted Jews," Mike Harris explained. "We have members who have no business or club affiliations and are not reached through any of the trade divisions or through the landsmanshaften. When we inform them and make them aware of what UJA means and the vital needs UJA looks after, locally and in Israel, they become involved."

Izy Stern emphasizes that the campaign is never really over. "Israel's and our own local needs are ever present and continue to increase. We cannot let up in our efforts to raise money to help alleviate all those needs," he said.

A major factor in the successful fund-raising of the synagogue division, says Mike Harris, was the full co-operation received from Toronto rabbis by synagogue co-chairman Rabbi Henry Hoschander, when he requested that appeals on behalf of UJA be made from the pulpit. Sermons were delivered on two Saturdays in February and at Yiskor services following Passover, outlining the problems to be met and solved by Jewry in 1973.

As in past years, there will be a 1973 award for the synagogue whose membership has made the most outstanding showing in the campaign. The presentation will be made by Izy Stern on Campaign Appreciation Night, at Temple Sinai, on June 18.

Members of Congregation Habonim Sisterhood check funds raised for UJA-ISF through various activities. Shown are Margo Barnett, Gerda Gottlieb, Gisele Braun and Denise Altman.

Israel's anniversary encourages more treasury gifts for UJA

With Israel's 25th birthday as an added incentive, many synagogues made a special effort this year to obtain treasury gifts over and beyond individual contributions to the United Jewish Appeal-Israel Special Fund campaign.

Through a wide variety of functions, synagogue brotherhoods, sisterhoods and ladies' auxiliaries have raised thousands of dollars for their treasuries and have, in turn, made generous gifts to the campaign.

Pictured here are some of the synagogue division members who made that extra effort on behalf of their fellow Jews. They are shown proudly presenting cheques which will help alleviate Israel's financial burden in resettling the thousands of Soviet immigrants as they begin life in their new homeland.

Mrs. F. Shulman, second from left, presents cheque to Mike Englishman, UJA-ISF chairman, on behalf of Pride of Israel Senior Ladies Auxiliary.

An Israeli movie evening, celebrating successful conclusion of the 1973 campaign was held for members of Beth Jacob Anshei Driltz congregation. Shown left to right are: Rabbi Moses Burak; Atzmon Yaniv, guest speaker from Israel; Sam Faivish, UJA chairman; Joe Isakow and Joseph Rosenthal, UJA co-chairmen.

Mrs. Faygie Scher, chairman of the Pride of Israel Sisterhood, hands over generous gift to Mike Englishman, UJA-ISF chairman. In the middle is Mrs. F. Shulman, Pride of Israel Senior Ladies Auxiliary.

One of the largest synagogue treasury gifts was presented to Izy Stern, chairman of Organizations and Synagogues, by Adath Shalom membership. Watching presentation are I. Roth, UJA chairman; Izy Stern, Fred Gotlieb, chairman of the board, and Mike Rogow, president.

Substantial treasury gift from Pride of Israel Sick Benefit Society was presented to 1973 UJA-ISF campaign. Proudly holding cheque are Ben Smith, Pride of Israel chairman; Mike Englishman, UJA-ISF chairman and Ben Wax, president. Missing from photo is Murray Zidenberg, chairman, Young Men's group.

Total proceeds from a social run by the Beth Habonim Congregation went to UJA-ISF campaign. Seen in photo are Max Gottlieb, UJA chairman; Lester Braun and Curt Fleischer, co-chairmen.

GIFTS FROM ORGANIZATIONS SWELL UJA TOTAL

Close to $1,000 was raised for United Jewish Appeal by residents of Jewish Home for the Aged. This is an increase of about 33% over last year. Members of the Home's campaign committee – and the principal canvassers – were Mrs. Tillie Shub, Hyman Pechencik and Fanny Coppelman, seen in photo. Gifts were received from about 200 residents.

Margaret Hart, chairman of treasury gifts, UJA Women's Division, accepts cheque from Wierzbniker Ladies Auxiliary. Seen in photo are Helen Naiman, recording secretary; Sonia Birman, financial secretary; Mrs. Hart; Helen Isenberg, president; Helen Weisbloom, treasurer; Rose Herling, vice-president.

A Monte Carlo Nite staged by Jewish Student Federation at York University brought in over $1,000 for UJA. Presenting cheque to Mike Harris, second from left, are: Philip Halpern, Alan Morger and Paul Tiefenbach.

Ben Lerer, president of the Kieltzer Society, looks over pledges and gifts after most successful UJA-ISF breakfast meeting ever held by society. UJA co-chairman is Dave Weiner.

Checking uncompleted cards with Gordon Mendly, UJA chairman of Organizations, are executive members of Ivansker Mutual Benefit Society. Standing left to right are: Morris Lipowitz, recording secretary; S. Greenspan, vice-president; H. Lederman, past president. Seated: H. Kesten, UJA chairman; Mr. Mendly and A. Kopstick, president.

Treasury gift presentation was made to Gordon Mendly, right, chairman of Organizations, UJA-ISF, on behalf of Toronto Hebrew Benevolent Society. With Mr. Mendly are Meyer Millman, UJA chairman and Harry Davidovitch, president.

In my view

By CHARLES LAZARUS

MONTREAL –

During last year's **Man In the Glass Booth** uproar, one of the central arguments given by those who believed themselves capable of digesting Robert Shaw's intellectual pretensions about the evil of the Nazis not necessarily being buried with their bones, was that the Holocaust survivors who fought the play, were simply being "emotional" and didn't "understand" the playwright's point.

My counter argument, at the time, was that any human being who survived Hitler's ovens had a right to be emotional about the loss of six million Jews and the miracle survival of a relative handful; and it was precisely because the survivors failed to understand the intellectual cartwheels, that the play should be cancelled.

And it was, to the credit of all concerned.

Now the time has come, however, for the hundreds of survivors who have come to Canada, integrated into the Canadian and, particularly, the Jewish mainstream, to begin to build more and stronger bridges between the horror of the past and the hope of the future, so the past and the future serve each other.

The Association of Survivors of Nazi Oppression on a recent Sunday, as its members do annually, observed the 28th anniversary of their liberation in a poignant and tasteful program which featured a special tribute to the Canadian Armed Forces, and Denmark which, despite the wartime occupation, pursued a policy of rescuing as many of its Jewish citizens as possible.

The event was important, featuring as it did the participation of representatives of all community organizations as well as the three levels of government; because it annually warns that never again must Jews be exposed to another cataclysm; and free countries such as Canada and Denmark are still the hope for the future of mankind.

David Ephrati, Israel's consul-general in Montreal, also made the important point, that the observance of the 28th anniversary of libération from the Nazi hell, coincided with the 25th anniversary of the state of Israel, thus giving substance to the premise that despair and hope do, somehow, have a metaphysical link.

All too often in the recent past, I have found that while many of the Nazi survivors are understandably still deeply emotional and affected by their living nightmare, those among them who have attained positions of leadership still tend to lean so heavily and, perhaps in their hearts justifiably, on not forgetting the lessons of the past, that the use to which the past can be put in shaping the future, is seriously compromised.

The annual commemoration of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, for example, should include the remembrance of the tragedy and heroism, but as well some significant gesture towards the future could be made perhaps by way of an annual scholarship, or the undertaking of some project that would emphasize the viability of Jewish people in a positive and hopeful spirit.

Along with the Holocaust memorial, as another example, to be featured in the Allied Jewish Community Services – Cummings House, which will serve the essential purpose of remembering, the Association of Survivors and other community organizations might well begin considering the sponsorship of libraries or chairs of Jewish studies in universities – and not necessarily emphasizing the Holocaust to the exclusion of other aspects of Jewish thought and learning.

It seems to me that the survivors who have integrated into Canadian Jewish life must realize by now that while remembering and learning the lessons of the past is vital to preventing a repetition of tragic history, the exercise is useless if we forget the importance of another survival:

What we're referring to is the survival of Jewish thought and spirituality, of Jewish learning and letters, of Jewish ethic and proud ethnicity.

What point, really, is there in remembering the past continuously, if the future of Judaism and Jewishness is not insured?

Let us think, for a moment, whether remembering could not at some point also be transformed and channeled into a force for Jewish education; and if Jewish education is important for Jewish identity and survival, then we must begin placing the highest priority, with the Holocaust as an inspiration, on the development of a program to train Jewish teachers and other professionals.

There is far more emotion than intellect in this approach, I must admit, but to guarantee the future of Jewish life is the best remembrance and monument that can be given the martyrs who have gone on **Kiddush Hashem**.

Mr. Lazarus is on the editorial staff of The Montreal Star.

State of Polish Jewry shocks

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UJA's young leadership division, spoke of the sorrow of the group when visiting the Jewish Historical Institute archives next to the Warsaw Synagogue.

"We found that priceless historical records, such as Emanuel Ringelbaum's diaries, the minutes of meetings of a 16th century congregation and a Hebrew account of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, were disintegrating, the pages turning yellow and crumbling," Stone said.

"There are cartons of material just sitting there, diaries, ledgers, lists of destroyed towns and names of victims gathering dust and falling apart," Mike Pelavin, a lawyer from Flint, Michigan, declared.

"No one is taking care of it and it should be sent to Yad Vashem (the Martyr's and Heroes Remembrance Authority in Jerusalem) or another institution where it can be copied and sorted," he added.

The visitors found the historic Twarda Street Synagogue in Warsaw nearly in ruins and the few remaining synagogues in the Polish capital and in Cracow in dilapidated condition.

The elderly Jews still in Poland meet in 10 kosher canteens in different parts of the country which are maintained by funds contributed by outside Jewish organizations. Inertia and a feeling that their lives are over are the main characteristics of these Jews. Many said that they had children in Israel but they would not go themselves because "they had nothing to offer the young country."

Canada backs

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Israel dispute, however, is that it would involve for the Arabs a departure from strongly and consistently held positions.

The supper meeting preceeded an afternoon assembly of CIC leadership and rank and file where a policy agenda for the coming year was discussed. Also discussed were items dealing with CIC evaluation and objectives, and an analysis of Canada's present Middle East foreign policy and an assessment of her future posture.

Also speaking at the dinner were New Democratic Party Leader David Lewis, and the Conservative party's external affairs spokesman, Claude Wagner, both of whom recently visited Israel.

Wagner said he expects Israel to take the first and perhaps hardest step on the road to peace but only, he stressed, with secure borders.

Wagner, who attended Jerusalem's Economic Conference two weeks ago, said he spent only six days in Israel, but he added, "six days is enough to get things done in the Middle East."

The audience, reacted slowly, then broke out in laughter.

'Change we must,' Carr warns CJC

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Santayana's words, that those who refuse to learn from the lessons of history are condemned to repeat them. He noted that the cause of the demise of this once flourishing Jewish centre, which was even so near Eretz Yisrael, was due to "attrition caused by assimilation."

Newman suggested that maybe the example of Alexandria does not apply here, for "assimilation has sometimes shown to be good to Judaism, for instead of losing some Judaism, new conditions can be Judaized." Newman went on to note that the greatest problem is "young people who don't care about Judaism."

The three speakers, as well as questioners from the audience, frequently referred to Jewish youth and the belief that these students are not receiving a proper Jewish education. Newman noted, "Even if my child gets a Jewish education, it is not enough, for if his friends get none, he will go where his friends go."

Carr made reference to the on-going study of education in Toronto. He noted it seems apparent that evening and Sunday school types of education can be written off as failures. It is necessary, he felt, that these schools be changed to include other Jewish experiences and not merely be a place to study for one's bar mitzvah.

All three speakers noted the importance of stressing higher Jewish education. Newman referred to the new Jewish courses at the University of Toronto. Ages made reference to the correspondence courses offered to adult Jewry by the University of Haifa.

Carr pointed out that, although he does believe that education is the key to preservation, it was not his intention to create an elitist group. He did note, nevertheless, there is an apparent gap between intellectuals and community leaders where "too long the intellectual community has stood in the wings." He made reference to Abba Eban's statement concerning the gap between those who only think and those who only act, and Carr added, there is a definite need to close this gap here.

UIA agrees to advance drive

OSHAWA–

In keeping with the Ontario United Israel Appeal's aim of bringing the campaign dates of their 25 communities closer together, UIA workers here have agreed to advance their fund drive by several months.

The Oshawa campaign chaired by Harry Finer and co-chaired by Hersh Nicols and Louis Sklar, will open with a campaign evening hosted by Finer on Monday, June 11.

"They feel they would be able to campaign better now, instead of December because many people go down south on vacation during the winter months," explained Ontario UIA Executive Director Yehuda Noy.

Noy added that the date of the campaign evening, June 11, is historically significant, being as it is the anniversary of the last day of the Six Day War.

The Oshawa community is striving to raise funds for the absorption of Soviet Jews," he said, and "had we lost the war there wouldn't have been anywhere for Soviet Jews to come."

An added feature of the campaign in the 75-family community will be the introduction of a women's division headed by Mrs. Joyce Glazier.

Keynote speaker at the campaign evening will be Yosef Yaakov, counsellor at the Israel embassy in Ottawa.

Pollock honored

HAMILTON –

Sidney Pollock was honored here last week at the community's annual Negev Dinner for his contribution over the years to causes supporting the state of Israel.

A spokesman for the Jewish National Fund said proceeds from the dinner, which the organization sponsored, will be applied toward the establishment of a major track of land in the Negev which will bear Pollock's name.

Keynote speaker at the banquet was Rabbi Gunther Plaut of Toronto's Holy Blossom Temple.

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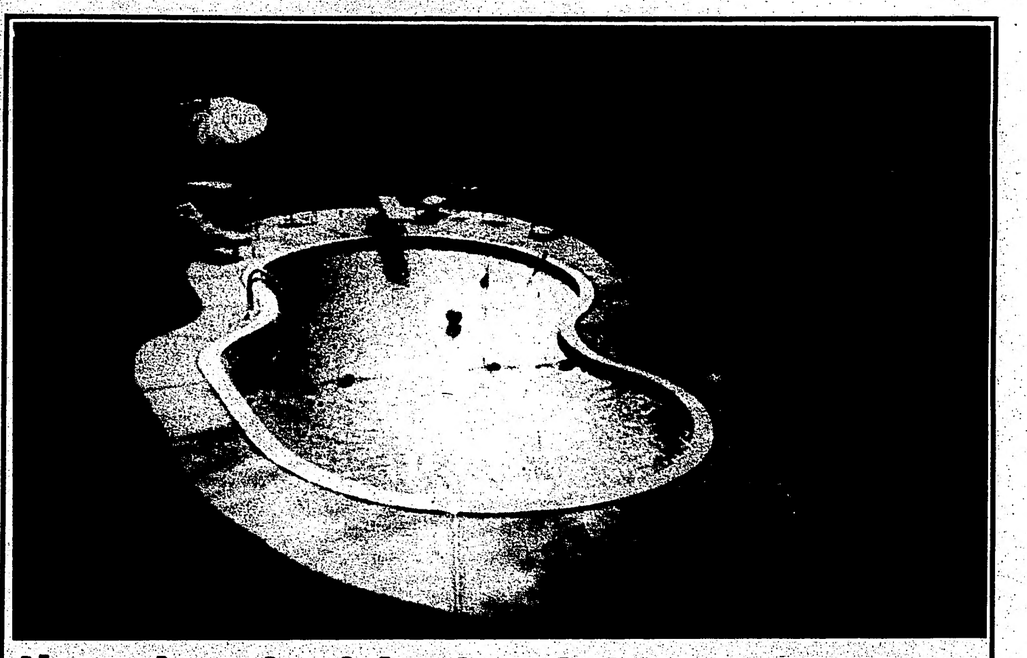
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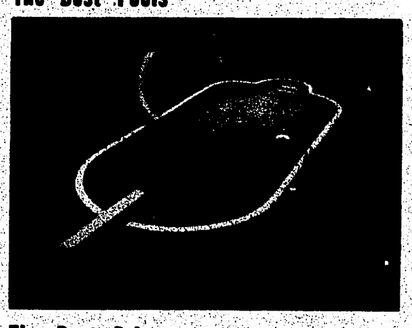
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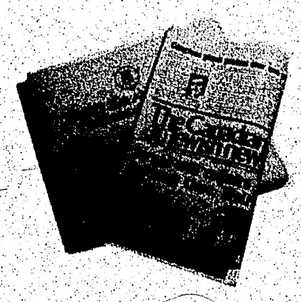
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Comedian, satirists breathe new life, contemporary relevance into Yiddish festival—the revival is on

music review

By RICK KARDONNE

TORONTO –

Faivel Zygielbaum, the veteran master Israeli Yiddish comedian, highlighted the third annual Toronto Yiddish festival, held over the weekend of May 25-27 and sponsored by the Committee for Yiddish, Canadian Jewish Congress Central Region.

Performing to an enthusiastic audience at Northview Heights Secondary School, Zygielbaum began by impersonating an "Uncle Jake" Jewish theatre entrepreneur in Europe who vainly tries to ingratiate himself to Gentiles. This caustically funny monologue has much contemporary relevance since such characters are unfortunately too common today. Following this act, Zygielbaum impersonated a phony professional moralist huckster who uses other peoples' sermons but occasionally forgets their lines. Then the MC came out on stage and told Zygielbaum that his time was up. Zygielbaum was just getting warmed up; the audience wouldn't let him go. Small wonder, as Zygielbaum is a top-flight comic entertainer.

The evening's program commenced with an address by New York University Professor Dr. Israel Knox on the spiritual differences between Christian and Jewish literature; the former being concerned with the ultimate supernatural ideals and the absolution of all human tragedy through the death of Christ, while the latter is much more concerned with actual human pathos. While the lecture was authoritatively convincing, I would have liked to have heard Dr. Knox explore this polarity in terms of contemporary literature, specifically exemplifying such English-language but affirmatively Jewish writers of today as Meyer Levik and Sol Yurick.

Also featured was singer Stephen Merkel, a classically-trained baritone who rendered somewhat stiff interpretations of three Leivick songs, one original, and the familiar **Genzelech**.

Rounding out the Northview evening were two one-act classic Yiddish satires: Peretz's **Beim Goisses Tsu Kopns** and Sholem Aleichem's **Olem Haba**, both excellent choices performed surprisingly well by the Toronto Yiddish Theatre, who, if not always technically perfect, convey a wonderfully warm authenticity of soul and earthy spirit. Casting in both plays was excellent; special praise going to Philip Cohen (the old man in the Peretz play who chooses to go to hell because that is where he can help souls in distress), Itshe Roth (the old man in the Sholem Aleichem piece) and Sid Swerdlow (the pious, naive Chassid of Olem Haba). All of the actors expertly conveyed the beautifully funky, no-holds-barred satire which is a cornerstone of the best of Jewish comedy, from Mendele Mocher Sforim down to Lenny Bruce.

This wit and pathos was lacking in the Montreal Yiddish Drama Theatre's musical **Salute to Israel**, presented at Central Tech the previous evening. Despite capable singing by Philip Goldig and sensitive performances by Pearl Levy and Chana Gonshar, the overall effect of the show was that of an unimaginatively-planned and underrehearsed high school pageant. Certainly, it fell far short of the deservedly high reputation of Dora Wasserman's troupe as demonstrated by previous productions.

Everybody agreed on one point: Yiddish is far from dead; it is being revived everywhere, and that there must be many more such events in the future.

Gilda Radner (left) and Dan Ackroyd share a laugh during rehearsal of the Toronto troupe of the Second City Revue. In background is Jayne Eastwood.

Shopsowitz brings theatre new flavor

By JENIVA BERGER

TORONTO –

Utter chaos. The rush hour traffic barrelling down Adelaide Street East doesn't compare with the cacophony inside the new Second City Theatre. Sam Shopsowitz's current theatrical venture which may just work out to be Toronto's answer to the Borsht Belt.

"It's nice to come here from a peaceful office," says the delicatessen man to the tune of workmen hammering and pounding, readying the coffee house-theatre for its June 11th opening. His humor is definitely the tequila, salt, and lemon sort.

In an almost completed office, directors, producers, blue-jeaned actors and PR people are bunched together, chatting at different tonal levels and at the centre of it all, Shopsowitz smiles benignly like a new father. His baby is the only other permanent company of the famed Chicago improvisational group, Second City, started 11 years ago by Bernard Sahlins, the troupe's director who is up here to ease the birth of the Toronto offshoot.

Sahlins is on his way now to try and find the Queensway, and Shopsowitz and I find a quiet corner (in another incompleted office) where we can rap a little on his theatrical career and ambitions to nurture Canadian comedians.

"My interest," says Shopsowitz, who has backed many a Broadway show "just didn't come out of seeing a company form, but of giving Canadians an opportunity to express themselves in humor."

Reminiscing on the renowned Catskill training ground which once spawned the likes of Jackie Miles, Henny Youngman and Danny Kaye, ("a tremendous fraternity") Shopsowitz hopes that with Toronto's Second City, a breeding place for young humorists will finally be established. "Where can you train comedians anymore? Night clubs have faded from the scene and the area just isn't covered."

While he believes that we're getting back to the "stand-up type of humor," a style not incompatible with the audience-actor involvement of Second City, happily "a whole new generation of kids are also appreciating the talents of Laurel and Hardy and Chaplin."

Though many of the comedians who have flourished under Chicago's Second City tutelage are hardly of the Laurel and Hardy ilk (Shelley Berman, Alan Arkin, Burns and Shreiber to name a few) to Shopsowitz's mind it's the opportunity to grow continually as a humorist that counts. He points out that our Second City will also give workshops to high school students and aspiring satirists. "If we can produce one Nichols and May here," he says, "I'll be happy."

An old improvisator himself, Shopsowitz recalls his "Cola Boola" skit and sketch days at Harbord Collegiate with Wayne and Shuster. They went on to the U.C. Follies and on some more, while Sam Shopsowitz, an aspiring musician taught theory, harmony and counterpoint at the Hambourg Conservatory before taking over his ailing father's delicatessen business.

Humor has always been instrumental in his life. "Being of a minority" he says, "it was important." Later, combining his humor, his love of people and his old master, music, he and another well-known Toronto musician, Leon Weinstein, formed a duo to spark up UJA, Hadassah and other affairs. As the saying goes, they clicked; Shopsowitz with his "stomach Steinway," and Weinstein with his violin. The Kosher Style Gypsies he says proudly, "specialize in playing Jingle Bells and Alouette in a minor key."

I'm really a frustrated actor, Shopsowitz admits. Though with music, humor, and hot dogs, how much talent can one man stand? Along with this, there's this unflappable cool which rises up above the wood shavings, planks, boards and multitudinous debris which must somehow, miraculously, be cleared away in time for the theatre's opening.

"If it isn't," he said good-naturedly, "everyone can always come to my house."

Moroccan choir shows blend of youth, expertise

La Chorale Kinor, a choir composed of 30 young Moroccan Jews from Montreal, gave its premiere Toronto performance at the Bloor YM-YWHA last month as part of a tour of east-central Canada sponsored by the Quebec government.

This fairly new choral ensemble is a remarkably soulful and well-rehearsed group, especially when one considers its youth and the fact that the great majority of its selections were performed "a capella". Both the male and female sections were infectiously vibrant and yet blended into a disciplined whole. There was a spirit of enthusiasm that is rare among choral groups; a spirit which made the Chorale Kinor most entertaining. And the audience quickly warmed up, clapped along and whistled, giving them fresh confidence.

The choir features Michel Mamam as a strong, rich and expressive baritone soloist, plus another competent soloist Paul Perel. It does not, as of yet, have a girl vocalist to match the strengths of Mamam, although Clothilde Perel shows promise and a duet of Danielle and Viviane Cohen made for pleasant listening.

The choir's repertoire is still in a formative stage. It performed an impressive array of polyphonic Renaissance songs that were sung by French and Moroccan Jews during the 16th century, plus several highly interesting Hebraic chants, several of them written to the words of **Shir Hashirim** (including one composed by Toronto's Samuel Osiel). Yet the choir's most important contribution, a selection of traditional Sephardic liturgies and secular choral numbers, is, as of now, not ready for presentation.

Conductor Solly Levy told me that choral arrangements of traditional Sephardic music are difficult to obtain outside of Israel or France, but that he has recently received such scores from a Paris colleague, and that La Chorale Kinor will perform such numbers next year. Judging from the excellent musical standards that Levy has been able to maintain, the forthcoming presentation of traditional Sephardic songs and liturgies by La Chorale Kinor should be a real treat. More important, it will be the ideal way to present the vast Sephardic music tradition to the total Canadian (and ultimately, North American) Jewish population.

A first-rate choir with a proud, youthful image, a fine conductor, plus high future aims of innovative and authentic programing, La Chorale Kinor proves, for once and for all, that the Jewish presence in Quebec is not at all incompatible with French Canadian cultural autonomy. I am sure that La Chorale Kinor will help to bring Canada's 18,000 Moroccan Jews into the Jewish cultural mainstream not only in Canada but in all of North America. I only wish that the pre-concert publicity had been more extensive.

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Tel Aviv spring fair awash in splash of colorful people, artists and lights

By LENORE NIR

TEL AVIV –

A new immigrant from Russia making copper basreliefs, a young Arab from Umm- el- Fahum, a pediatrician from Petah Tikva, a housewife with no formal artistic training and a Canadian 'hippie' leatherworker are among the 102 artists displaying their work at a week-long outdoor Artists' Fair in Tel Aviv.

There is color everywhere on tree-lined Chen Boulevard opposite Municipal Square these evenings. Color from the lights crisscrossing the six blocks of display area, color from the bright summery clothes of the crowd and above all, color from the artists' offerings.

Nearly 70% of the participants are painters and on the two light plywood walls given each artist for display hang numerous styles of painting in a wide variety of media.

The fair is sponsored by the Tel Aviv Municipality as part of 'Spring in Tel Aviv Week' which includes outdoor concerts, a book fair, magicians and 'happenings'. The absorption ministry is a co-sponsor and 30 of the exhibitors are new immigrants from almost as many countries.

Works are offered for sale and the public buys in quantity. Most prices range from $20 - $100. At the first such fair held last August on a much smaller scale, several artists had sales of $6,000 - $7,000.

"Two of these artists were newcomers from Russia and one of them, Valery Levin who sculpts paintings (basreliefs) in copper is exhibiting this time too," noted Shimshon Halfi of the municipal cultural department, who was responsible for choosing the artists represented. "We want this to be an annual event and May is preferable to August."

Halfi explained that any artist who wanted to exhibit came for an interview, bringing representative work.

"In borderline instances e consulted with advisers from the Artists' Association. About 35 exhibitors are members of this association and another 35 have applied for membership and await acceptance."

A panel of artists assisted the absorption ministry in choosing the new immigrants who wished to display.

When assigned their display booth, artists were told to bring a hammer and nails and thermos and sandwiches. The evening is long, from 5 to 11 p.m. The municipality rented storage space nearby for nighttime storage.

In addition to painting and sculpture (some— paintings combine both), handicrafts such as leatherwork, modern and filigree jewelry, glass pictures, ceramics, wood carvings, glazed enamel decorations and others are represented.

John Doyon, 24, of Hull, Quebec and his assistant Joseph Frank of Cleveland, Ohio are constantly ringed with buyers at their leatherwork booth.

"A man from the absorption ministry saw me selling purses on the street in Jaffa and asked me to take part. We're selling a lot, probably everything by the end of the week," commented Doyon, casually dressed and with a leather headband.

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TORONTO–

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Rabbi David Schochet, executive director of the Lubavitch movement, sponsors of the concert, says the success is due to a good public relations campaign. "We meet with more people than any synagogue or Jewish organization," he said.

Recent emigres from Russia, a choir of Lubavitch students and Chassidic cantors will perform at the festival which will be held at 8 p.m.

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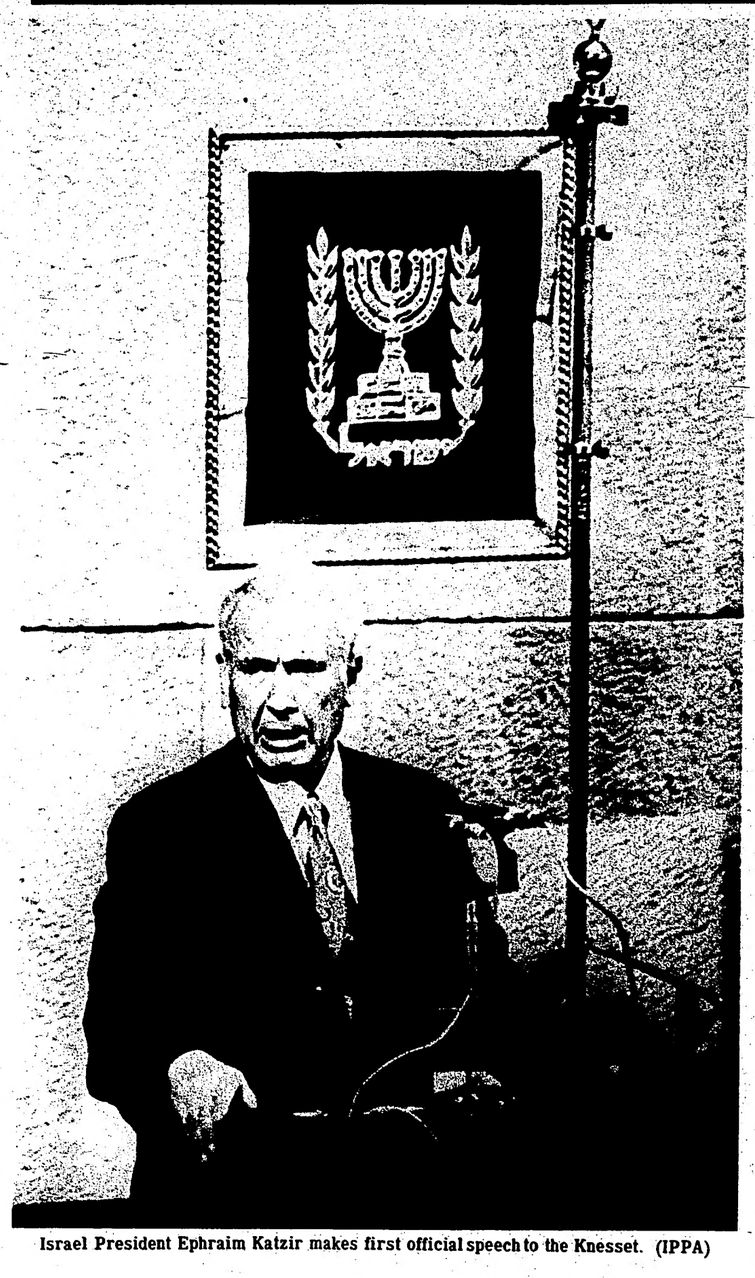

Israel President Ephraim Katzir makes first official speech to the Knesset. (IPPA)

Katzir expresses shock over living conditions

JERUSALEM (JTS) -

President Ephraim Katzir spent his fifth day in office touring Jerusalem and said he was appalled by the living conditions of some Jewish families. The 57 year old biophysicist was renewing his acquaintance with the city where he lived 25 years ago before joining the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovoth.

"I lived in Jerusalem, I studied here. I raised my family here and I taught the youth, including the poor youth. Despite the long period that has passed since then, I have not seen any progress with some of the families we visited today," the president said. "I think it is about time that the people of Israel do something about the standard of living of some Jews," he added. "The social gap is especially alarming in Jerusalem. I think it is discouraging and does not please any Jerusalem visitors," he said.

Katzir, who was awarded honorary citizenship of Jerusalem by Mayor Teddy Kollek, toured the city in a public bus accompanied by the mayor and members of the city council and with only two motorcycle policemen as an escort. Wearing a blue suit and an open collar white shirt, the president stopped at an elementary school, an Arab high school in East Jerusalem and two community centres, one for delinquent youth. He also visited the 1 1/2 room apartment of Abed and Hanna Katan in the Katamon quarter, a slum district inhabited by many of Jerusalem's poorer families.

He said he was shocked by the Katan family's living conditions - feeding 10 persons on a salary of about $200 a month. Later he told a luncheon given for him by the Jerusalem Municipality that Israel must make every effort to close the social gap. Katzir made his first major public appearance in Tel Aviv on May 28 where he officially opened Israel's 25th Anniversary Exhibition at the Fair Grounds.

CP hotel for Israel

TEL AVIV-

Details of Canadian Pacific Hotels' first venture outside Canada - a 600-room luxury hotel along Israel's "Riviera" on the Mediterranean shore - were revealed here last week.

The Canadian Jewish News in a front page story in the May 19, 1972, edition had reported that a CP luxury hotel was in the planning stage for the Tel Aviv area.

The $24 to $28 million project is being financed by CP along with Canadian and Israeli partners. CP Hotels President Donald Curtis said the deal would give CP a "minority (ownership) position" but management control.

Curtis said the project will have considerable Canadian content with $5 to $7 million in Canadian business generated through the purchase of furnishing and other equipment.

The hotel, designed by Amnon Niv Architects Ltd., Tel Aviv, will rise about 20 storeys, with two sides sloping at a 45 degree angle from a ground level plaza to half the height of the building.

Construction is expected to begin in September and completion is set for the fall of 1975 when it will employ 750.

Conservatives changing women's role

By SUSAN LAZARUS

MONTREAL -

The traditional role of the Jewish woman as being limited to child bearing, homemaking and merely observing prayer from the balcony of a shul, may soon change, at least in the Conservative movement.

At a meeting last Sunday at the Shaar Hashomaim Synagogue, William Abrams, president of the Eastern Canada Region of the United Synagogues of America, emphasized the woman's role in Judaism must change along with the woman's role in society.

"Women must become first class citizens, in the synagogue and the Jewish religion as well as in society. The Conservative movement is attempting to overcome some of the traditional disabilities of the Jewish woman in both ritual practices and civil status."

The Eastern Canada Region of the United Synagogues of America is one of 22 regions and 850 congregations which make up the Conservative movement in both Canada and the United States.

The all day conference on the status of Jewish women is one of a series. These "Institutes on Jewish Living," which deal with all facets of Judaism, begin with a national conference during which a policy statement on the topic is drawn up.

The regional conference discusses these statements and rethinks the problem. Any recommendations from the region is forwarded to the national conference.

Among other things an Orthodox woman, or a woman attending an Orthodox synagogue cannot worship with her family, institute Jewish divorce proceedings or hold a position as an officer of a congregation.

The conference last Sunday dealt with many aspects of the status of Jewish women, including her status in Jewish law, her role in the ritual of the synagogue and even her right to practice birth control and have an abortion.

According to Abrams: "We must make the individual aware of the problems facing Jewish women in the modern world. When these problems are known, changes can occur."

Hod is proving exception to finding top position

JERUSALEM (JCNS) -

Few former chiefs of the Israel defence forces have had much problem moving out of uniform and into top jobs in administration and industry. Former air force chief, Major-General Mordecai Hod, who retired last month, is a notable exception.

General Hod has set his sights on becoming chairman of the board of Israel Aircraft Industries and he has the backing of the Defence Minister, Moshe Dayan. However, the present incumbent, a lawyer, Michael Piron, who was an associate of the late prime minister Levi Eshkol, who appointed him, refuses to move aside.

Pressure has been brought to bear on Piron from many sides and there has been obviously inspired criticism in the press that whereas the chairmanship for Piron is a part-time job, General Hod would take it on as a full-time assignment and bring to it the special skills of a former Air Force chief.

Piron is said to have the backing of top IAI executives in staying in his post. The company, employing more than 14,000 people, is Israel's largest single industrial enterprise. It produces turbo-prop and jet-engined aircraft, the Gabriel missile and overhauls, maintains and repairs almost every type of aircraft as well as manufacturing a large variety of aircraft parts.

Academic scores research triumph

HAIFA -

Thirteen years of scientific research has culminated in triumph for Israeli professor Joseph Singer.

His method of analyzing the buckling strength of the outer skins of aircraft and missiles was used by NASA in the design of the intermediate stages of the Saturn V rocket which launched Skylab space station into earth orbit. It had also been used for the Apollo moon missions.

External ribs called stringers provide bracing for the thin-walled missile body to prevent it from buckling under the forces of acceleration when the rocket's engines lift the heavy, multi-stage assembly.

Singer, professor of aircraft structures at Israel's Technion, is serving as senior vice-president for engineering at Israel Aircraft Industries, the country's largest single employer and manufacturer of the Arava and Commodore Jet aircraft and the Gabriele missile.

A native of Austria, Singer emigrated to Israel in 1938. After serving in the British Royal Air Force during World War II, he studied Aeronautical Engineering at London's Imperial College.

He graduated in 1948, and completed his masters degree at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, returning to Israel the following year. He joined the Technion teaching staff in 1955, after serving six years on the engineering department of the Israeli Air Force.

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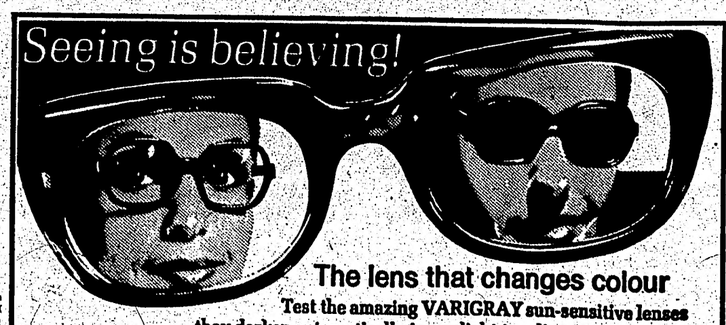
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Working on dig sites and kibbutzim give vacations new image

TEL AVIV –

It seems like a contradiction in terms to spend a vacation working. But the paradox resolves itself when the work is in Israel at an archaeological site, an afforestation centre or a kibbutz. There's work – which may be hard at times – but there's also the opportunity to explore another country and its culture.

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You provide the muscle and the Jewish National Fund provides the picks, the shovels and any other equipment that you might need to prune, plant or water trees at Hevel Yatir, halfway between Beer Sheba and Arad, and at Kiryat Anavim, 15 minutes from Jerusalem. The working hours at both afforestation centres is from 7:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Two dollars a day covers room, board and evening entertainment at the hostel-like facilities.

The hours and accommodations are pretty much the same for those who volunteer to work at the Botanical Gardens of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. The gardens, at the Mt. Scopus and the Givat Ram campuses, are not only for the enjoyment of Jerusalemites but for advancing scientific research as well. The gardens, like Israel's forests, didn't exist before the 1930's. Today with much attention and care, they are flourishing.

At the end of the work day at the gardens and the afforestation centres, volunteers have the chance to cool off at nearby swimming pools. In the evening, cultural and entertainment programs introduce the volunteers to life in Israel.

A will to work and perhaps an interest in history are all that are required if you wish to join an archaeological excavation. Like the afforestation centres, the archaeological teams for whom you may work, will provide you with any equipment that you might need. This may mean a pick and shovel one day while excavating a wall. The next day you may be working with an artist's brush, gently brushing away the accumulated dirt and dust of centuries from an ancient fragment, the last trace of one of the many civilizations that inhabited Israel, but have now disappeared from the face of the earth.

Occasionally, never frequently enough, there's a cry of surprise that cuts through the sweat and heat like a knife. Someone has uncovered, not just a fragment of the past, but a whole page of history in the form of a few coins or maybe a fairly complete bowl.

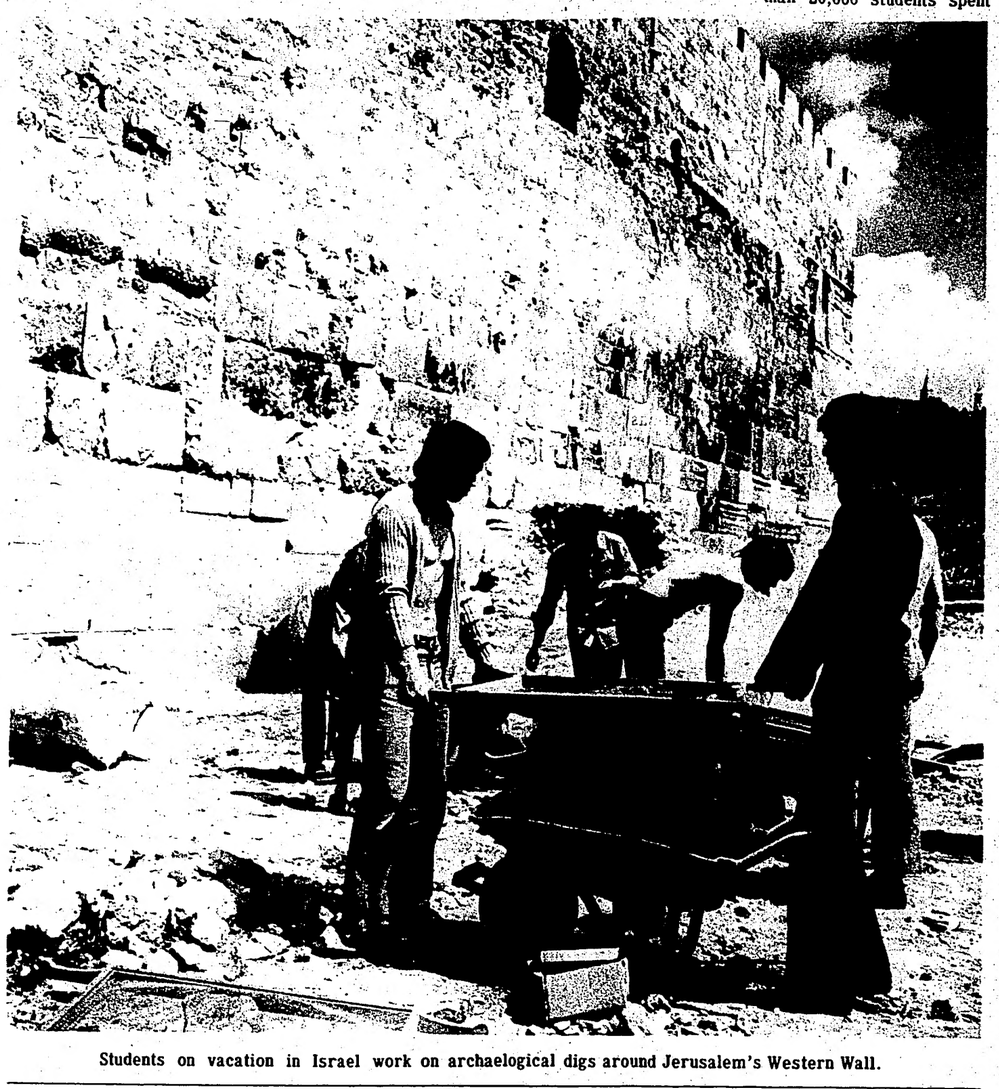
In the evenings, after everyone has had a chance to rest and eat, there are campfires where the volunteers, from all over the world, get to know each other. Naturally enough, there are lectures concerning the particular dig or archaeology in general. On other nights there might be folk singing or dancing.

Accommodations at the digs, which are in all parts of Israel, are usually at nearby youth hostels. A fee of between three and four dollars a day usually covers room and board.

Tel Aviv University's Institute of Archaeology sponsors four excavations. Those who participate in the institute's archaeological program may receive credit for their work. Those who enroll must work a minimum of two weeks at one of the digs and participate in a two week period of concentrated study at the Tel Aviv University. Included in the program is a week of guided trips to major archaeological sites in Israel.

Volunteers at the archaeological digs, the afforestation centres or the Botanical Gardens have to pay for their room and board. At the kibbutzim, however, in return for 36 hours a week of work, you get not only free room and board, but pocket money, cigarettes and work clothes. This is only one of the many differences you'll discover if you decide to volunteer to work on a kibbutz. It's a unique social experiment in cooperative living, the sort of life that many talk about but rarely try. Since the demand is so great to work on kibbutzim, July and August have been booked well in advance.

Digging for old pottery, planting trees, farming on a kibbutz – it sounds like a crazy way to spend a vacation. It is crazy. But more than 20,000 students spent their vacation in this manner last year and enjoyed every last minute of it.



Students on vacation in Israel work on archaeological digs around Jerusalem's Western Wall.

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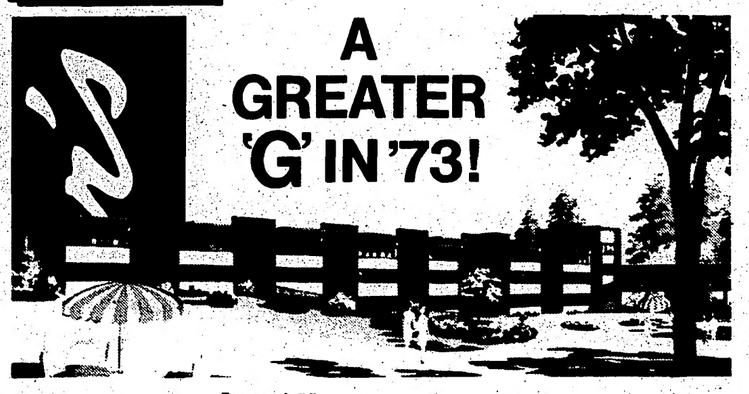

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Four universities open their doors to students from abroad

TEL AVIV –

Much has been written about Israel. Some of what has appeared is true; some is false. Many reports are highly critical; some are wildly extravagant in their praise of the country.

The individual who wants to find out the truth should think of coming to Israel this summer and enrolling in an Israeli university for a summer course.

This summer four Israeli universities will open their doors to students from abroad; the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Tel Aviv University, the University of Haifa, and the Bar Ilan University. At each institution, special courses have been arranged to accommodate foreign students. The language of instruction, other than in the language courses, will be in English, and, in a few cases, French. Most courses can be taken for credit, which can be transferred to one's own college or university.

At the Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus overlooking the Old City of Jerusalem in the west and in the east the Dead Sea, the lowest point on the earth, the emphasis is on major aspects of Judaica and Israel – past and present – and the Middle East – politics, language, and culture. The Hebrew University also offers special summer programs that are sponsored by American universities. Some of these programs are open to students of other universities. A list of these is to be found in the booklet **Summer Courses – 1973**, released by the university.

On the other side of the country, an hour away by car, Tel Aviv University offers two four-week summer sessions in elementary, intermediate and advanced Hebrew; the sociology of integration in Israeli society; the history of the modern Middle East; and a course in Jewish philosophy. For those interested in archaeology, Tel Aviv University's Institute of Archaeology runs a special six-week session which includes two weeks of academic study, three weeks at an excavation and field trips around the country to major archaeological sites.

Bar Ilan University in Ramat Gan, on the outskirts of Tel Aviv, is a religiously oriented institution. The sabbath and dietary laws are observed throughout the summer program. Besides Hebrew language courses, the university offers lectures on the Talmud, the history of Israel, Jewish political thought, the sociology of religion, the social structure of Israel, and introductory courses to sociology and psychology.

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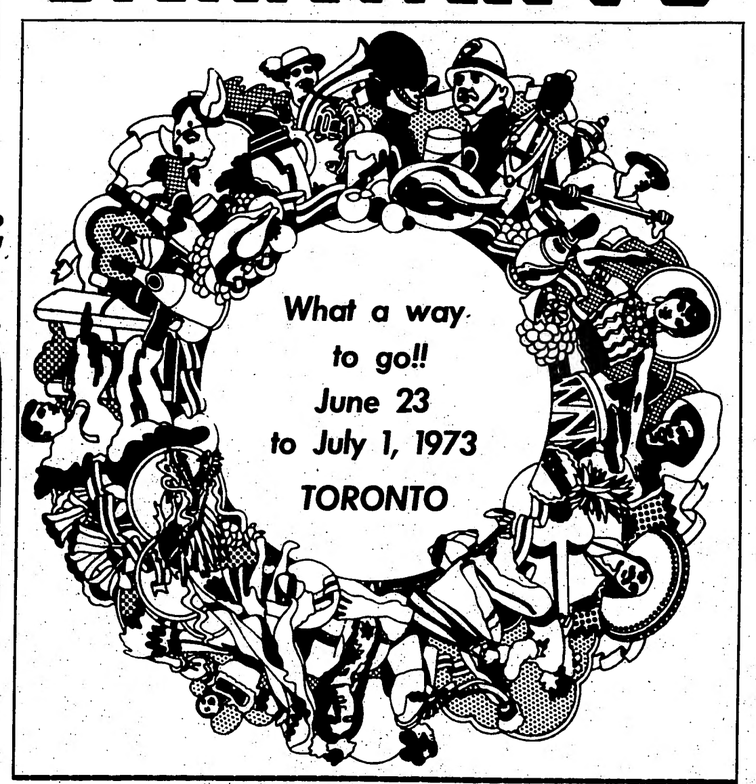

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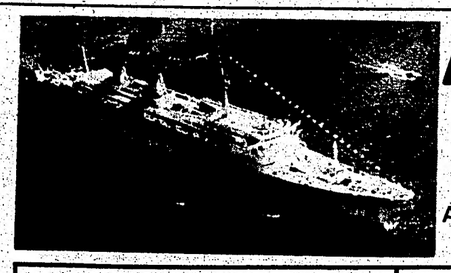

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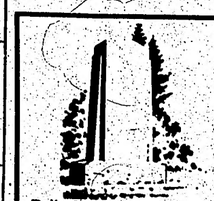

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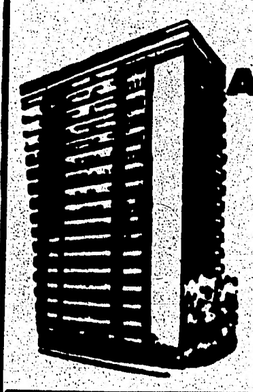

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Professor links vitality of Israel to human suffering, deprivation of Holocaust

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO –

The most epoch-making event that shaped the future of Judaism occurred at Sinai, according to Emil L. Fackenheim, professor of philosophy at the University of Toronto.

In an address to Shaarei Shomayim's Adult Institute entitled, **Jewish Existence in an Epoch-Making Age**, Fackenheim cited other such noteworthy events in the history of Judaism. He pointed out that since the Exodus and Sinai there have been other epoch-making events, several of which are to be found in our own lifetime.

One such event that he stressed was the Holocaust. Although, he noted, "We live a full generation after the event, it still defies belief." One example he cited illustrating the demonic system was the operation of the two work permits. The Nazis gave one unchangeable permit to be used by a concentration camp inmate, and one that he could give to one other person. Thus, the inmate was forced to choose which of his relatives was to live or die. Fackenheim's voice rose as he stated, "I search all of history to find a similar single depravity and I can find none."

Out of all this horror, Fackenheim marvelled how there could have been even one among them who chose to retain his faith in God; who was determined to remain sane and alive after experiencing the world of insanity, and who chose to remain a Jew and have his children raised as Jews.

Another epoch-making event in our lifetime that he dealt with was the creation of the state of Israel. He rhetorically asked, "Why was it that there was even one such survivor who chose to go to Israel where danger existed instead of a lovely state like Denmark, for instance?"

Fackenheim linked the "enormous incredible vitality" of Israel (where riding a bus is "like riding in a tank") with the Holocaust survivors who chose to live there. He noted, "It is precisely because of the death during the Holocaust that there is such vitality in Israel now. Our spirit should have died but it didn't, and now life is more sacred than it ever was. Let us not take the vitality for granted. Let us marvel at this."

He also spoke of the Jewishness of the state of Israel. Defending the Jewish state against what many term a too secular approach, Fackenheim noted, "there can be no greater commitment to Judaism than that the state proclaimed the Law of Return. She accepts the poor, the downtrodden, the sick and the unskilled, unlike most other states."

The last epoch-making event which he said is still going on is the emancipation of the Jews which began with the French Revolution. Commented Fackenheim, "It still comprises a Jewish neurosis and anti-Semitism."

World Jewry must work to complete this emancipation process. He gave credit to Israel for doing its part in this regard. "The Jewish state has the right to determine its own destiny. Israel, with incredible boldness, has told the world that she is going to decide her own destiny."

Chartrand labeled 'a cheap agitator'

MONTREAL –

A Quebec labor leader who made anti-Semitic remarks at a pro-Arab gathering here recently was denounced by a federal minister as "a cheap agitator who represents only himself."

Marc Lalonde, minister of health and welfare, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that Michel Chartrand, president of the Montreal branch of the National Trade Union, has "lost his credibility because of his anti-Semitic utterances."

Lalonde said that Chartrand's extremist views have estranged him from his own trade union associates. He suggested that the press ignore Chartrand's remarks since the union official craves publicity, whether good or bad. Lalonde, a close friend of Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau, was here to address a United Jewish Appeal dinner.

Chartrand, a speaker at the conference of Canadian Arab Societies held here the prior week, denounced Israel and claimed that Quebec Jews were a privileged minority. "We do not want them to pollute anymore the atmosphere of the country," he said.

New school for fall

TORONTO –

A new Associated Hebrew Day School will open its doors this September in the Yonge-Steeles district.

Located on Powell Road, the school with accommodate nursery, kindergarten, grade one and possibly grade two. This will help reduce travelling time for the younger children in the area who might otherwise attend the Bathurst-Finch school.

The one-storey brick building that will house the school was formerly used by Vaughan Township. The school will undergo intensive renovations this summer to complete preparations for the fall opening.

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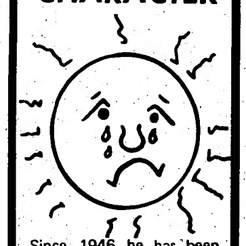

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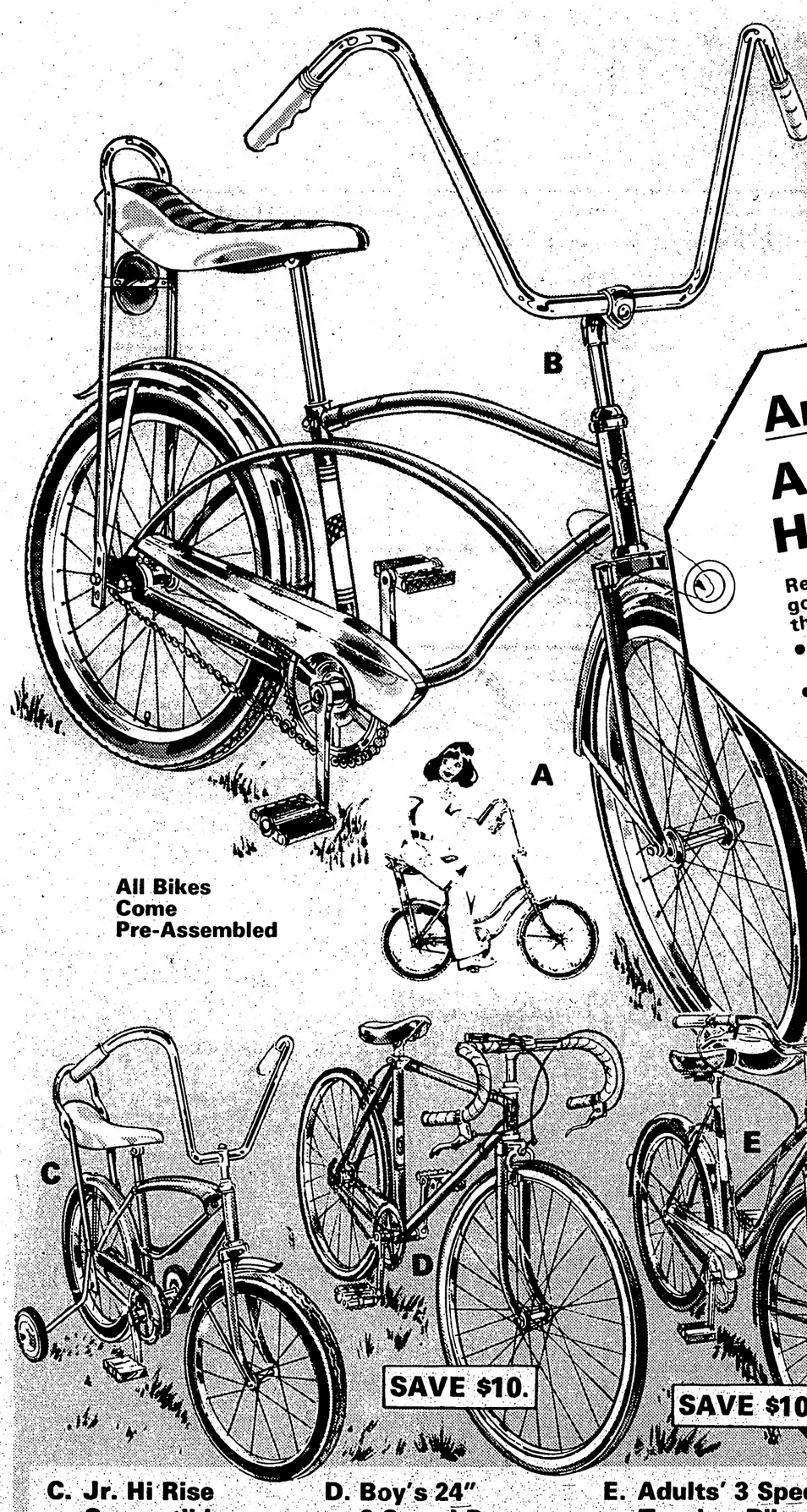

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